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On your marks...

... for Haverhill's first ever half-marathon and 10k races

PULL on those training shoes... Haverhill is getting ready to host its inaugural half-marathon and 10k fun run.

Both events, to be held on May 11, will raise money for St Nicholas Hospice Care, which is opening a new outreach centre in the town soon.

Jack Tappin, race director, said: "Haverhill already has a vibrant athletics scene and it's a shame the town doesn't have its own race when neighbouring towns do, so hopefully this will act as a flagship run and become an annual event."

The events are set to begin at 9.30am. Runners will travel along Recreation Road and Helions Park Avenue, before heading through the town centre.

The half marathon will go through Withersfield and Great Wrating, and finish back in the town after going through the golf club and the Chalkstone Estate.

All finishers will be presented with a medal and a goodie bag.

Matthew Hancock, MP for

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West Suffolk, will start the 10K and Cllr Roger André will set off the half marathon.

Mr Hancock, a keen runner, is also intending to run the half marathon himself. He said: "The event will unite the community, bringing together people of all ages and abilities, as well as being an enjoyable day out for the whole of Haverhill."

County councillors Tony Brown, Julian Flood and Anne Gower have all pledged cash to the event from their locality budgets and Haverhill Town Council will decide on providing a grant at Tuesday's full council meeting.

The event is being sponsored by Sanofi, with Styline, GreenAir Cars, Perform Sports Therapy and Castle Manor offering support too.

Steph Manning, of Sanofi, said: "St Nicholas Hospice Care has been a Sanofi

Haverhill site chosen charity for many years and we recognise the vital work the charity does in our community.

"Sanofi is delighted and proud to be able to support them in their forthcoming event and for 2014."

Mr Tappin, who has lived in Haverhill since 2009, said: "I'm hoping this inaugural event will attract seasoned runners as well as those looking for a step-up having completed 5k fun runs such as the Race For Life."

"I also hope lots of people will turn out to cheer on the runners as they head through the town centre at the beginning and indeed throughout the course."

Entry is £16 for the HaverHalf and £12 for the Haver10.

If you pay on the day, each race will cost £2 more and affiliated club runners will pay £2 less.

If participants raise £100 in sponsorship, they can run for free.

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Chatty man sells out in 90 minutes

COMEDIAN Alan Carr will be warming up his act in a show at Haverhill Arts Centre. The gig, which was announced on January 16, sold out in an hour-and-a-half. Turn to page 3 for the full story.



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Aprons on ... it's time to get baking

After its hugely popular debut – which saw dozens of amateur bakers battle it out last year – The Cambridge Bake Off is back. Could you be a contender? Alice Ryan gets cooking.

ARE your sponge cakes unsinkable? Do you make fondant flowers 'for fun'? Can you knock up a flawless Sachertorte blindfolded? If the answer to any of those questions is 'Yes', it's time to pull your pинny on and start scouring your cookbooks – The Cambridge Bake Off is back and open for entries.

Billed as the city's answer to TV's *Great British Bake Off*, the competition made its debut last year, attracting almost 100 entries. After two months, four rounds and umpteen hours in the kitchen, cancer research scientist Fiona McDuff was crowned winner.

Open to amateur cake makers living in the CB postcode area, the 2014 Bake Off will see contestants go head to head in four rounds once again, culminating in a live final.

Taking place in partnership with our sister paper, the *Cambridge News* and glossy magazine, *Cambridge Magazine*, the competition will challenge bakers to create a carrot cake in the first round, a chocolate cake in the second, a fruit and crème patissiere confection in third and an all-bells-and-whistles celebration cake – on an Easter theme – in the final.

Organised by Caroline Biggs of food festival Eat Cambridge and Tine Roche of Cambridge Cookery School, and sponsored by TuckerGardner, the Bake Off promises to be one of the biggest foodie events of the year.

If you entered last year and were unlucky, you are very welcome to try your hand again this time.

All you have to do is email your name, address and contact number – along with a photo of one of your best homemade cakes, and a couple of lines explaining why you love baking



– to editorial@cambridge-magazines.co.uk by midnight on Friday, January 31. Entries can also be posted to Cambridge Bake Off, c/o Cambridge Magazine, Winship Road, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6PP.

Taking into account both skill and enthusiasm for baking, 48 applicants will be selected on Monday, February 3 to go forward to round one, which takes place at Cambridge Cookery School on Saturday, February 8. They will be asked to bake a carrot cake, using a recipe of their choice, and deliver it to the school from 10-11.30am, returning to collect their results in person between 1-3pm.

For the first time friends and supporters are also invited to go along to the results segment of the day. They will be able to sample as many carrot cakes as they like for a suggested donation of £5, to be split between Cambridge night shelter Jimmy's and disability support service The Papworth Trust.

The judges will then put 24 bakers through to round two.

As well as the accolade of being

hailed Cambridge's best baker, there is an added incentive to enter – all finalists will win a hamper full of baking goodies, and the winner will go home with a state-of-the-art KitchenAid stand mixer, courtesy of John Lewis.

■ Visit cambridge-news.co.uk and search Bake Off for more information about the competition and follow Cambridge Bake Off on Facebook and Twitter for regular updates.

THE RULES

- You must be aged 16 or above as of January 1, 2014.
- You must reside within Cambridgeshire or a CB postcode area.
- You must not have any catering NVQ or other catering qualification, unless acquired more than 10 years ago.
- Your main source of income must not derive from commercial baking in a professional environment (restaurant, hotel, canteen, shop and so on). The term 'baking' here refers to the preparation and oven cooking of flour-based goods such as bread, cakes, pastries, pies, tarts and biscuits. It does not refer to other food forms that can be oven cooked, or other methods of cooking.
- You must be able to commit to all four of the judging dates: February 8, March 1, March 22 and March 29.
- When selecting contestants for The Cambridge Bake Off, the following will be taken into account: skill, enthusiasm, drive, love of baking. The initial selection will be based on the application photographs and testimonials alone.
- By applying, you grant The Cambridge Bake Off and its partners rights and consents of copyright to use photographs of you and your cakes in promotional material (such as follow-up stories in the *News*, for example).

Entries open for town's first half-marathon

From front page

You can enter online on the website: www.entrycentral.com/haverhalf. Entries will also be available soon on www.runbritain.com/races

Application and sponsor forms are available for collection at Haverhill Arts Centre and the Sanofi reception, in Rookwood Way.

Email jack.tappin@gmail.com for a form, more information and if you're interested in volunteering on the day.

LAUNCH: Jack Tappin, centre, with Clrs Anne Gower and Julian Flood and staff from Sanofi.



Club's biggest lotto is finally won

A WEEKLY lotto which has been rolled over since June has finally been won.

The pot at Haverhill's Ex Servicemen's Club was up to £6,620 before member Martin Mansfield won the draw on Sunday.

The stakes were the highest to date, with the second highest at £4,300.

Steve Russell, club secretary, said: "I'm glad it's finally been won, and it's nice to know that someone who uses the club has got the money."

Martin has been attending the club for 10 years.

It's £1 to play the lotto, and there is a draw of three numbers between one and 24.

The game, held every Sunday, is for members only.

At this weekend's draw there will be around £1,500 in the pot.

Visit hesmc.co.uk for more information about joining.

You can also call Steve on 07854166721.

'Tidal wave' sell-out for Alan Carr's show



ON TOUR: Funny man Alan Carr is coming to Haverhill

Town clerk resigns his post



RESIGNATION: Will Austin

HAVERHILL'S town clerk has announced his resignation.

Will Austin was appointed to the post in 2011 and has worked alongside the town council and other Haverhill organisations ever since.

He said: "I would like to place on record my sincerest thanks to council staff and town councillors, who have made this such an enjoyable and satisfying role for me.

"Particular thanks go to the Town Mayor Roger André and Cllr Maureen Byrne, Deputy Mayor and Chair of the Council's Personnel Committee, who have been hugely supportive during my time in Haverhill.

"It is with great regret that I am leaving, having developed a very strong affinity with a town that I am proud to have called home."

Cllr André hailed Mr Austin as a "prominent force in the local community" who has defended the interests of Haverhill throughout his post.

He said: "I shall miss Will as a dedicated, valued clerk to the town council and as a staunch adviser and friend during challenging times."

Mr Austin will leave in March.

Celebration of air cadets anniversary

HUNDREDS of cadets will line the streets to celebrate the formation of the Air Training Corps.

Parades to mark the formation by King George VI in 1941 take place across the UK every year – and a celebration is taking place in Haverhill on February 2.

Around 200 cadets and staff from the local area will be parading through the town centre, starting in the car park behind the Arts Centre.

The event is being hosted by the 1451 Haverhill squadron.

Chris Goddard, pilot officer and commanding officer, said: "It's a fantastic opportu-

nity for the cadets to show the local community they are proud of their heritage and that the ATC is stronger than ever."

The parade will continue down the High Street to St Mary's Church, where a service will take place.

Plans for new flats opposed by council

PLANS to build a block of flats are being met with opposition.

Haverbury Housing Partnership proposed to build a third block of flats in Burton End, Haverhill.

If planning permission is granted, there will be 12 two bedrooms and three one bedroom flats built on the site.

But Haverhill Town Council is only one of those to raise objections to the development.

In their planning committee meeting on January 7, there were concerns about visual impact, additional traffic and inadequate disabled parking.

Councillors also noted that the flats may have a negative impact on vehicular access from Burton End.

Objections have also been put forward from residents living nearby and Land Contamination.

Visit haverhillartscentre.co.uk for more information about upcoming events.

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here."

Staff at the Arts Centre only had the date confirmed hours before it was released to the public.

Those who managed to bag a ticket are already counting down the days.

Shirley Ling, speaking on Facebook, was delighted with her front row tickets and Twitter users have also been celebrating.

@AbbieMariaCox said: "Still can't believe me and Jonny are seeing Alan Carr in Haverhill."

@xShannonxTx said: "Just been put on the reserve list to see Alan Carr in February in Haverhill."

Nick Keeble, Arts and Leisure Manager, said: "We knew that the show would be popular, but we didn't realise the extent of the love Haverhill has for Alan."

8 out of 10 Cats team captain Jon Richardson performed at the same venue in December – and his show sold out in 24 hours.

Alan Carr's appearance broke the centre's record, with the quickest sell-out ever.

He last visited the town in July 2006.

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CYCLIST groups and organisations could receive up to £5,000 in grant funding.

The money is being distributed by ONE Haverhill to projects which will benefit the town.

All groups wishing to take home a grant must prove their project will make a real difference to the people of Haverhill.

Sarah Howard, chair of ONE Haverhill, said: "We had some fantastic applications during the last round of grants for wonderful projects that are benefiting a wide range of groups and people."

"This is a great opportunity for your organisation to get some money towards a project that you are embarking on or would like to embark upon."

Those who have previously applied for money from the board are free to enter again.

The last batch of grants, which were handed out in October, went to seven applicants and totalled £20,284.

You can download an application form from onehaverhill.co.uk.

Completed application forms should be sent to ONE Haverhill Grants Scheme, Haverhill Arts Centre, High Street, Haverhill, CB9 8AR.

If you need help with your submission call Nick Keeble on 01440 712858.



ON THE MOVE: Children from Dizzy Ducks enjoyed a toddle for charity.

Little ones get toddling for charity

TODDLERS put their best foot forward to raise money for disadvantaged children.

Dizzy Ducks Day Nursery, on Homefield Road, Haverhill, held two sponsored toddles for their youngsters yesterday.

Children under 2 took part in a musical toddle indoors, while older ones took to the nursery garden for a treasure hunt.

Their hard work was in aid of Barnardo's, to boost funding for the UK's

vulnerable under 5s. Claire Hackett, nursery manager, said: "The children loved it, and they had a great time getting very muddy."

"We like to take part in the event every year – it's hard to find activities that the children can take part in and this one is designed for them."

Staff hope that they can beat their 2013 total of £75.

Appeal after cyclist attacks delivery driver

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POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a driver was attacked by a cyclist in a road rage incident in Haverhill.

The driver, who works at Haverhill Kebab House, had just made a delivery and was returning to the shop at around 11.30pm on January 17.

The 28-year-old driver, who did not want to be named, said he pulled out of Cambridge Close and was about to turn onto Western Avenue when he saw a male cyclist, believed to be aged between 35 and 40, approaching from Ash Grove.

He said the cyclist pulled straight out of the junction without giving way, and the driver had to brake sharply.

He said: "The cyclist came straight at me so I had to stop."

"I opened my window and said 'are you hurt?' and he swore at me and punched me in the face."

The victim, who is married with a one-year-old son, got out of the car.

"I said to him, 'what did I do wrong? I saved your life, why did you punch me?'

"He started punching me again on my head, so I kicked him away and got my phone out of my car."

The victim tried to call the police,

but the cyclist started trying to snatch the phone, he said.

"I ran down to the main road and I fell. He chased me down and beat me like a wild animal. He ripped my watch off and threw it."

As the victim flagged down a passing police car, the cyclist fled down Cambridge Close.

The 28-year-old driver was treated at the scene for high blood pressure, and has since seen a doctor. He has injuries to his back, legs and head.

He said: "I was trying to do my job. I don't know what I did wrong, I saved this guy's life."

The cyclist is described as around 5ft 11in tall and of average build.

He is white, has short greying hair and was wearing a black jumper and dark trousers or jeans.

He was on a black mountain bike.

If you have any information about the incident contact PC Matt Egan at Haverhill Police Station on 101.

You can also call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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LAUGH OUT LOUD: Tania Watson, pictured with Paddy McGuinness.

Tania gets taken out at awards

A CELEBRITY guest joined the fun at an awards ceremony.

Comedian Paddy McGuinness co-hosted the annual Slimming World awards, held in Birmingham, and met some inspirational women.

Tania Watson, consultant at Haverhill, was snapped with the funny man on the night while celebrating a great year for her group.

Paddy, host of ITV's hit show Take Me Out, said: "Jokes aside, I was genuinely amazed to hear about what a difference consultants like Tania make to people's lives.

"At the ceremony I met lots of people who'd lost incredible amounts of weight and it had totally changed their lives.

"Every single one of them told me that they couldn't have done it without the support of their Slimming World group and their consultant."

Vision 2031: public inquiry

PLANS mapping out the future of Haverhill are going to be scrutinised next week.

Vision 2031 sets out how travel, infrastructure, environment, community facilities, homes, jobs and the economy will change over the next two decades.

Appointed planning inspector Roger Clews will carry out a public inquiry, starting on Tuesday.

The inspection will run until February 12 and during this time all of the submissions sent in during the summer consultation period will be reviewed.

Public hearings are being held for Mr Clews to explore certain topics further.

Residents are welcome to attend these meetings but cannot take an active part unless they're invited to.

The hearings on Haverhill town are taking place on February 5 and 6 at the town's leisure centre on Ehringhausen Way.

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Topics up for discussion will include the need for a rail link between Cambridge and Haverhill, dualling of the bypass road and the possibility of pedestrianising the High Street.

Whether or not Haverhill needs a museum, a two-way access route to the town centre and an extension to East Town Park will also be on the agenda.

Representatives from Haverhill Town Council have already had a meeting with the borough council officers to address some of their biggest concerns.

Will Austin, town clerk, said: "As part of a proposed development plan for 2,500 homes in North West Haverhill, a relief road is required around the edge of the town.

"We have argued that the relief road needs to be delivered early to cope with the extra traffic the development will bring."

The document has recently been modified to include this need.

Other modifications include the need to assess how much healthcare will be needed because of residential developments, and that a town centre masterplan will be developed at a later date to ensure everyone is consulted with and represented.

Discussions on plans for Bury St Edmunds and the surrounding rural areas will also take place during the inquiry period.

Separate documents have been drawn up for each location, and all need to be adopted by St Edmundsbury Borough Council as policy.

Visit stedmundsbury.gov.uk to view the plans.

 Comment on this story: haverhillweeklynews.co.uk

£4m investment could bring jobs to town

A GALVANIZING plant worth £4 million could be built in Haverhill.

The application, entered by Acrow Galvanizing, proposes that a factory is built on Piperell Way.

If approved, this will replace

the existing site in Ashdon Road, Saffron Walden.

The current team will be relocated to Haverhill and it is thought there will be opportunities for more jobs, if approved.

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said that a Control of Major Accident Hazards must be carried out before approval.

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Service unacceptable

IN response to the emergency service's comment (*Weekly News*, January 9th) that the 999 call to my home in Haverhill arrived in 25 minutes, I would like to challenge this information.

The time they have shared with us is from the *second* call, made by the doctor in attendance.

They have not confirmed the time of arrival from the initial 999 call that advised them that the patient had a life-threatening condition. I intend to continue to campaign on the service we have in Haverhill.

We must not forget that Haverhill does have an ambulance that is sighted anywhere in the region. I have a major concern that once again Haverhill is getting a poor or often no service when we look at the ambulance service records. I was watching my husband deteriorate rapidly. His condition was life-threatening and the time that we had to wait for a service to support his condition was unacceptable then and would be totally unacceptable for any other patient.

I would welcome all information of such similar incidents on ambulance waiting times in Haverhill and the surrounding areas.

Please contact me at:
byrnemaureen@tiscali.co.uk
Cllr Maureen Byrne
Deputy Mayor of Haverhill

It's all about targets

IT has been increasingly made aware to me over the last few months that our town's ambulance provision is failing to provide Haverhill with the service it needs or wants. In November last year I was alerted to the fact that a 75-year-old female resident had fallen over on the pavement on the Parkway estate on a Saturday afternoon and had a suspected broken leg or hip. It took 50 minutes for a paramedic to attend; when the paramedic arrived it was ascertained that the patient needed an ambulance, they had to wait a further hour for the ambulance to arrive which had to come all the way from Harlow – the patient had to lay on the cold pavement for two hours.

There have been other similar cases in the local press over the last few months. I have made other enquiries and found that these cases are not isolated; our ambulance service has deteriorated markedly over the last few years.

In 1982 with a much smaller town population we had three emergency ambulances, one of these was a 24-hour emergency vehicle and we had two day vehicles that went to emergencies but also transported non-emergency patients to hospital. We now as I understand it, with a much larger population, we have one 24-hour ambulance and one paramedic that is only available from 7am to 1am. The 24 hour ambulance is treated as a Cambridgeshire resource (the Haverhill ambulance staff even wear Cambridgeshire badges), for most of the time this ambulance only starts out in Haverhill and spends a huge amount of its time around Cambridge. This seems to be so that it can help the ambulance trust hit targets – a lot easier to do in a city where you can get your patient quickly

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dropped off at Addenbrooke's hospital and then get back out to pick up more patients.

Having the ambulance running back and forth to Haverhill does not help them hit the targets. The paramedic car is supposed to be tethered to Haverhill – but only when it has not got a job to go to, quite often it will go from job to job and could end up 50 miles from Haverhill. Like our ambulance, it has not been unheard of for it to end up as far away as Southend or Clacton. If the paramedic response car is called to an incident that then is discovered requires an ambulance it stays with the patient until the ambulance arrives, this means that we have no local cover until it is relieved; we have to rely on a response car from further away for any other incidents as was proved by the poor response times to recent cases.

I have heard that some of the ambulances have accrued more than 200,000 miles on the clock and sometimes can exceed their planned service intervals by thousands of miles because of shortages of vehicles.

Our ambulance service seems to be all about hitting targets and avoiding fines rather than providing a first class service. This is no reflection on their first class staff – it is a reflection on how it is run, it needs a root and branch shake-up. I have already alerted the cabinet member for health at Suffolk county council, the head of the west Suffolk care commissioning group to these failings. Hopefully something will be done about it!

Cllr Tony Brown

No more traffic, please

AS a resident of Recreation Road I am horrified that even more traffic is to be pushed along an already heavily congested street due to the proposed traffic calming order. The council's attitude appears to be that the High Street must be

pedestrianised at all costs, never mind the small roads that will have to take the bulk of the traffic that will be barred from the High Street.

According to The Vision 2031 Document, outlining the expansion of Haverhill over the forthcoming Years. But there are few details as to how we will cope with the extra surge in traffic on the minor roads in and around Haverhill.

If you have a job you will probably have to commute to work, as according to Developers Carisbrook they have had no one show any interest in their land for business development, so want to build more houses.

We have such a poor network to the rest of the country, the roads that lead out of Haverhill are already heavily congested. If the council put as much time, effort and money into establishing a rail link as they have trying to sort out the High Street then we would probably have a rail link to Lands end by now.

Sheila Johnson
Recreation Road
Haverhill

The bands played on

YOUR local brass bands would like to thank the public for their generosity over the Christmas period at the various carol playing functions carried out by the Haverhill Silver Band (HSB) and Youth and Community (HYAC) Bands.

Over three sessions, two at Sainsbury's and one in the High Street, over £1,000 was collected. £250 will be donated to Sainsbury's for their current charity.

This was a busy period for both bands, starting with a Friday evening in November in the Arts Centre where HYACB gave their services for Pancreatic Cancer Research. HYACB were then joined by HSB in the ever-popular 'Family Christmas Concert' where HSB played a concert including

the sound track of *The Snowman* alongside a narration by Lauren Chinery and stills from the film. HSB played for both civic carol services in St Mary's, Haverhill, and St Mary's, Bury St Edmunds, and the finale of their Christmas period was the annual 'Carols For All' concert at the Old Independent Church where an audience of over 500 people attended and joined in.

HSB are currently preparing for competitions but will next be performing in Concert at the Arts Centre on Sunday, April 27th. HYACB will be joined by CSD Brass from Cambridge in the Arts Centre on Sunday February 16th, in a light concert starting at 6pm.

Richard Pannell

Secretary of Haverhill Silver Band

Thanks Chippy's!

LOCAL businessman Glenn Brimson, owner of the fish and chip shop Chippy's on the Chalkstone Estate, made a group of children with special needs extremely happy when he supported the group and served them meals of their choice at their Christmas event in Haverhill.

The group had a totally enjoyable day, with the hall decorated by staff.

Games and music were the highlight of the day, which gave lots of pleasure to the students.

Sammie Byrne and her colleagues

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£200 in vouchers for agent from quiz

VOUCHERS for John Lewis have been awarded to the person with the most knowledge about Haverhill's newest development.

Harry Rands, of commercial property agent Bidwells, beat off competition to win £200 of vouchers for the department store.

He logged on to the Haverhill Research Park website to answer some questions, and then came first in a prize draw.

Mr Rands received his prize on Monday from Helen Chaplin, of the Research Park marketing team, and Tom Owen, of Cheffins.

He said: "I congratulate Carisbrooke on the new website that is very easy to navigate and has lots of useful information which will be useful in incentivising potential occupiers to come to see the park."

The competition was launched by Carisbrooke Developments to draw attention to the new website.

Features include an interactive master plan, up to date images of the landscape and information about local amenities.

Visit haverhillresearchpark.com

Mum Kelly to run in son Henry's honour



MARATHON CHALLENGE: Kelly, pictured with son Henry, age 3.

PREPARING to run 26 miles is a long and gruelling process for most athletes.

But mum-of-two Kelly Mepham has less than 12 weeks to get in marathon shape after being granted a last minute charity place.

Kelly, 33, failed to get a place in the first intake for this year's London Marathon, taking place on April 13.

But she was given a second chance to compete when offered a place with VICTA - a charity supporting blind and partially sighted children and their families.

Kelly, of Billings Close, Haverhill, said: "This charity is quite close to home for me. My son has got very bad eyes for his age - this can be my way of supporting him."

Three-year-old Henry has worn

glasses since he was just 2. He has always been happy to wear them.

"I think it's because they make such a difference to him," Kelly said. "He knows that I'm doing a marathon, but he doesn't really understand just how far it is - he's been asking if he can come training with me."

Kelly's daughter Darcey, 6, is also keen to join her on the training runs.

With such a short time to go until the race, Kelly has been running 35 miles a week and doing cross-training on her days off.

She, and running partner Nick Rippon-Smith, of Nottingham, have to raise a total of £2,500.

To donate, visit uk.virginmoneygiving.com and search for Kelly and Nick.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Award for martial artist

A STUDENT has received a trophy for her hard work in karate. Beth Mackenzie-Sloane, of Haverhill, took home the most improved cadet of 2013 award from her martial arts club. Beth, who attends the Haverhill Wado Freestyle Karate Club, also passed her brown belt shortly before Christmas.

Funding helps to go green

GRANTS are now available to help businesses with greener travel. Suffolk County Council is offering 50 per cent match funding for eco travel initiatives in the workplace. Visit greensuffolk.org.

Burglaries in town

OFFENDERS gained entry to a home in Broadcroft Crescent. Police are appealing for witnesses after the burglary, which took place between 11am on January 18 and 8.10am on January 20. Entry was gained by forcing open a rear door and the property was searched.

Two cans of petrol and a motorcross bike have been stolen from a secure shed in Castle Walk on January 21.

This happened between midnight and 7am. The motorcycle is a YX 250 blue and white. Call Haverhill Police on 101 if you have any information on the incidents.

New offices to open

AN ESTATE agents is holding a grand opening of its new offices.

CXG will open their new offices, on Haverhill High Street, on February 8.

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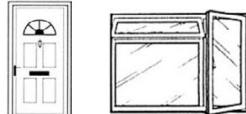
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Integration complete for two companies

ONE of the largest employers in Haverhill has completed its integration with another company.

Genzyme Ltd, on Rookwood Way, has paired up with pharmaceutical company Sanofi.

Since 2011, the companies have been gradually combining and on January 15, Genzyme adopted Sanofi's logo.

Matthieu Cortinovis, head of the site, said: "We remain as Genzyme Ltd but adoption of Sanofi's bird of hope logo in our branding recognises our shared vision for the future to develop breakthrough and transformative treatments for patients worldwide."

The staff will continue to support local healthcare, science, education and environmental projects, as well as working with the local community.

Bid to breathe new life into town's market

DEBRA FOX

HAVERHILL'S market has been praised by the new development officer for West Suffolk.

Sharon Fairweather has been appointed to transform the markets in the area.

Miss Fairweather will oversee changes in Brandon, Bury St Edmunds, Haverhill, Mildenhall and Newmarket. She visited Haverhill's market day on Friday.

Miss Fairweather, who previously worked as a tourism officer for St Edmundsbury Borough Council, said: "The traders in Haverhill were very positive - I think they're pleased that someone is listening to them."

"The market had a good community feel and it was well used - especially for a not particularly nice day in January."

"The people were so friend-



PRAISE: Sharon Fairweather

ly, and made you feel very welcome."

Haverhill's market will be taking part in Love Your Local Market 2014 - a campaign designed to make shoppers aware of what is on their doorstep.

It will be held between May 14 and May 28.

Other initial ideas which may be rolled out across markets in West Suffolk include community days, tasting days

and 'trade for a tenner' - where stall holders will be invited to pay £10 for a pitch-for a day.

Each market town will need different ideas to change and grow - and the new development officer is keen to hear your thoughts.

Miss Fairweather said: "You won't get a big footfall if you haven't got a mix of stallholders and a vibrant market, but people won't come to the market if there aren't many stalls."

"I think there is a real place for markets in the High Street, because so many people can now shop online."

"A market is a reason to get someone into the town centre."

Email sharon.fairweather@westsuffolk.gov.uk if you have any ideas for your local market.

Visit loveyourlocamarket.org.uk

Centre Stage in line for regional award

A YOUTH production of Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat has been nominated for an award.

The performance was held by members of Centre Stage theatre company, from Haverhill, in April last year.

It could take home the prize

for best youth production in the East Anglian region of the National Operatic and Dramatic Association (NODA).

When performed, Joseph was a complete sell-out.

Jim Morgan, chairman of Centre Stage, said: "It was

such a good show so it wasn't a surprise to be nominated."

The company will find out if they've won in April.

They are performing the Pied Piper on January 26, 27, 30 and 31 and February 1 at the Arts Centre.

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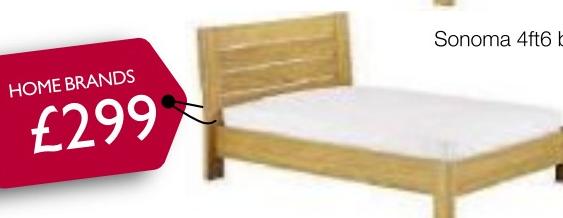
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Another day of tweeting on the beat

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A POLICE officer who has spent his entire career in Haverhill is taking to Twitter for the first time. PC Will Wright, who is part of the town's Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) is running the force's fourth Twitter day – aimed at engaging the general public in the police's day to day duties.

PC Wright, pictured, who started with the police eight years ago, said: "I am new to Twitter – not really sure what it's all about, but it's worth a try as it seems to be the new Facebook."

"Have your say on Twitter when I am on patrol – I would love to hear your views of policing, how it's changed for you and how you would like to see it change."

"I will endeavour to keep you all posted on my day to day work – see you all on January 29 for my first tweet."

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WINNER: Wesley Kelleher, 8, with watch commander Lee Allen and, from left, Michael Wilson, Mark Collins, Jack Anderson and Alan Baker.



Wesley and a fire engine called Vulcan

AN 8-year-old schoolboy was in for a surprise when firefighters visited his class to reveal he had won a competition to name the village's fire engine. Linton's Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service crew paid a visit to Linton Heights Junior School on Friday to tell Wesley Kelleher the good news.

Dozens of entries were received by the on-call station, which ran the competition in October, but Wesley's suggestion of Vulcan – after the Roman god of fire – was the winner. Lee Allen, watch commander, said: "The name will have pride of place on the front of our new fire engine for many years to come."

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The Wedding Guide



On the etiquette of cash wedding gifts

CHOOSING a wedding gift for a friend or relative can often be a dilemma, but new research highlights how this is changing amid a trend of couples asking for money not presents. Vicky Shaw reports

It might not be prime wedding season at the moment, but the winter months – especially in the run-up to Christmas, and the fairytale 'winter wonderland' backdrop that comes with it – are an increasingly popular time for couples to say 'I do'.

In fact, not long ago, I attended the wedding of two friends. It was a perfect, if chilly, day and it was much enjoyed by all – not much out of the ordinary there. But one aspect of the wedding was, for me, a bit more unusual – the bride and groom requested cash contributions from their guests, instead of having the standard list of presents.

After a bit of investigation though, I soon discovered that my friends were not alone in their decision, with recent research showing the traditional wedding gift list is gen-

erally slipping into decline in favour of cash.

A survey, by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS), found that one fifth (21%) of over 500 people in the UK who'd tied the knot in the last five years had asked guests to choose a present from a wedding list, but a substantial 40% requested money towards the cost of something.

Almost one quarter (23%) used that cash towards the cost of the wedding itself, or the honeymoon, and one in 14 wanted to put the money towards buying a house or make a donation to charity.

The findings reflect how people are increasingly marrying later. According to official figures, in 2011 the average man in England and Wales was 36 when he got married and a woman was 33, which is eight years older than the typical age for getting married in 1971. As such, many couples already live together and have accumulated the must-have household items which would traditionally have been given to them when they started mar-

ried life together.

The trend towards 'cash' gifts is not only to benefit the newlyweds though – 63% of people surveyed, who'd recently attended a wedding, said they were happy with the practice, and only 26% felt uncomfortable about it.

In my own opinion, I was very happy to give my friends money I know they'll put towards something they want, rather than me giving them a toaster they already have two of, which will then sit gathering dust at the back of a cupboard.

In this case, my friends are using the money they receive towards their honeymoon fund, and their modern take on a wedding list consisted of a cost breakdown of certain items on their holiday itinerary. Those guests who wished to contribute money were invited to contribute to one of these items, thus giving them their dream trip.

The bride and groom plan to help guests see what their money's bought by sending out thank you notes with a picture of them enjoying the relevant

activity – so, far from just handing over cold hard cash, you are essentially handing them the chance to build precious memories.

David, the groom, says: "Like many couples these days, my wife and I lived together before we got married and so already had many of the things that would have traditionally featured on a wedding list.

"So rather than compile a long list of dinner services, cutlery canteens and wine glasses, we invited our wedding guests to contribute to make our honeymoon in Norway – which can be a pretty expensive country – an extra special trip.

"We created a list of things we wanted to do on honeymoon such as husky sledding, cocktails in a swanky bar and visits to museum and galleries and invited our guests to contribute towards them. We tried to create a list that covered a range of prices and split some of the more expensive items into smaller contributions so people could be as generous as they liked."



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The Wedding Guide

Getting organised will ease stress!

SO, you've taken the plunge, proposed or been proposed to and accepted. You're getting married!

Once the initial excitement and engagement celebrations are over, you will probably be keen to start planning your big day. Here are some suggestions that, while not infallible or comprehensive, may be helpful to you in making the arrangements that will make your special occasion run smoothly.

■ Set the date

The key decision!

■ Decide a budget

Be realistic! Bankruptcy is not the best way to start married life...

■ Count your guests

This will affect what size of venue you need to book, catering requirements etc.

■ Find a venue

This is where the fun starts!

You'll need a ceremony venue (which can be a church, registry office, or other licensed venue such as a hotel or other venue). Your local registry office can provide you with a list of licensed venues in your area. If you're having a wedding reception afterwards, you might want to pick a different location for this, or pick a venue where you can combine both. Also consider party

food provision, entertainment, music, decoration... and what venue would look perfect as the backdrop for your just-married pictures.

■ Choose your helpers

Bridesmaids, matrons of honour, best man, page boys, someone to "give away" the bride, ushers: these are all optional, non-compulsory choices. Remember, the more helpers you pick, the more clothing, flowers and arrangement options you will need to organise!

■ Book a photographer, wedding car, florist

Make the arrangements in lots of time.

■ Buy "The Dress"

Many wedding dresses need a four to six month lead time for alterations.

■ Book the honeymoon

Not an afterthought!

Don't forget other details like ordering and sending out wedding invitations (about three months before the day), wedding cake, rings, a gift list, thank you presents for your helpers, seating plans, hen and stag nights or weekends and wedding speeches.

Most importantly, though, relax and enjoy your very special day. Congratulations!



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Fast-tracking to a racing supremacy

Rob Huff is the schoolboy who dreamed of being a racing driver when he grew up – then made that dream come true. Alice Ryan meets him to talk about the highs and lows of life on the racetrack

RACING driver Rob Huff is the first to admit he's a lucky man. "The fact someone pays me to do the thing I love most in the world – to drive – still seems incredible when I stop and think about it," he grins.

"To make a living from something you absolutely adore... Genuinely, what could be better than that?"

Motorsport – both Rob's profession and his lifelong passion – is, he concedes, a fickle mistress. But, at the moment at least, she's being kind.

"There are massive highs – like winning the World Touring Car Championship, which was my ultimate dream come true – but there are also huge lows," explains Rob.

"2012 was an amazing year: I won the championship, got married... and then Chevrolet, who I'd been driving with for eight years, announced they were pulling out, stopping altogether."

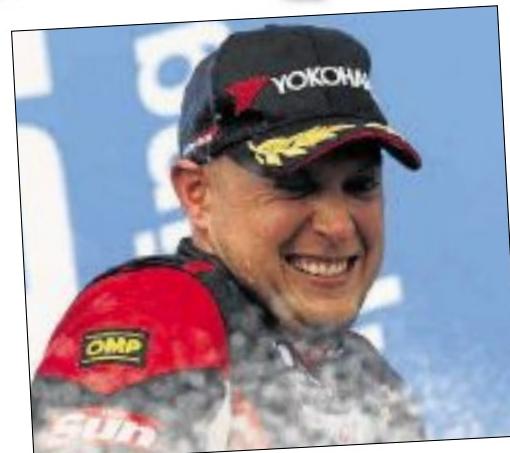
"I went on honeymoon with no job, no plans, no sponsor; with nothing at all. That's where motorsport can be heartbreaking."

Having just signed a two-year contract with Lada Sport – two-year contracts being rare and wonderful things in the world of motor racing; usually deals are renegotiated every 12 months – it's safe to say Rob has bounced back.

"Yeah, it's all looking good. My wife Jas is out looking at holiday brochures right now: I was such a miserable sod on our honeymoon, she thinks she deserves another one! Not that I blame her, mind you..."

There has been something of the fairytale about Rob's story from the outset: just how does a perfectly ordinary Cambridge schoolboy grow up to become one of the world's most garlanded touring car drivers? "Ah, well, that's a long story," says Rob. "Do you want another coffee?"

Sitting in a Newmarket



café – just up the road from the home he now shares with Jas in Red Lodge – Rob tells the tale from the beginning, when he was just a 'wee lad'...

"I was attracted to anything with wheels or an engine," remembers the 34-year-old. "From as early as I can remember, I wanted remote control cars for Christmas and birthdays. And the racing side of it came from my dad, who's a huge motorsport fan."

When Rob turned 14, his parents bought him an early driver's lesson: "I went to Brands Hatch and got to drive

a grey Ford Escort XR3i – I still remember that car! – and I thought it was the best day of my life.

"Concentration didn't come so easily in the classroom, yet in a car I was totally focused."

But it was Rob's flare in a go-kart that first made him stand out on the race track. Taking a one-day course aged 10 – another present from his parents – Rob was identified as having natural talent: "The guy who was leading the course took my dad to one side and said 'Your boy might have something...'"

By the age of 16, Rob had

his own kart and was racing whenever and wherever he could, even doing endurance challenges. His talent was spotted by a karting team, who paid him to drive for them.

"My birthday is on Christmas Day, not the best time of year for a birthday really, but it did mean that I got some amazing two-in-one presents growing up," says Rob, picking up the story.

"For my 18th it was a week-long intensive driving course at Silverstone, where we learned about all the different disciplines and things like racing lines, how to brake..."

The course culminated in two races between all the 'racing virgins': one was in a single seater, the other in a saloon car – and Rob won them both.

"You can teach someone to drive fast, but you can't teach them to race: that's instinctive, you've either got it or you haven't. You have to be able to make instant decisions without even being conscious that you're making a decision, if that makes sense? It's a sixth sense, if you like."

It was clear Rob had enormous potential. "I always dreamed of being a racing driver, but that's what it was – a dream. I come from a very down-to-earth family; I don't think it crossed any of

our minds at that point that I could make a career out of driving."

Rob was nevertheless keen to pursue the sport. But without a clear pathway laid out, it was hard to know how to take it to the next level.

"It's not like football or tennis, where you can go out and get yourself the best kit for a hundred quid, then put yourself in the right place to get spotted."

This is where the fairytale element kicks in. The course Rob excelled on was run by Jim Russell Racing School, which leads driving courses across the globe. At the end of the season, all the course leaders were asked to nominate their three best pupils – and invite them to compete in a knockout challenge at Silverstone, with the top prize being a fully-funded season in the Formula Vauxhall Junior Championship.

You can guess what happened next. "That was the next 'best day of my life,'" remembers Rob. "It was a bit like The X Factor – they kept us waiting for what felt like an eternity before telling us who'd won."

Rob's debut season, in 2000, was a triumph: "It was fantastic: I won the championship. But then it was a case of 'Where next?...'

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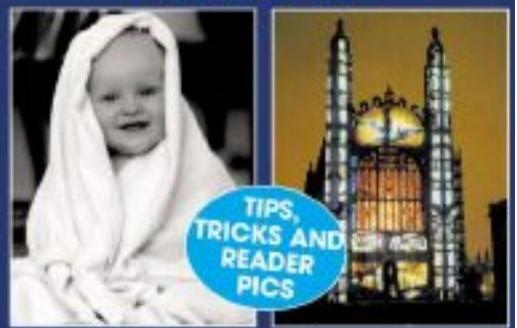
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For more information about Rob and his career, visit robhuff.com.

"That's where my mum and dad's kitchen table came into things: whenever we need to come up with a plan, we get round that table."

The plan was a big one: to put Rob into the single-seater Audi Winter Series, as it was known then. "It was a big deal because it cost a lot of money – £12,000, I think it was. My mum paid for me to do it. She said it was an investment; as it turns out, it was a pretty good one."

Going from the Vauxhall ('which was basically like a canoe on wheels') to the Audi ('400 horse power, so properly quick'), Rob wasn't expecting to excel – it was, by any standards, a big leap. Yet he finished the series in third.

"Literally 99 per cent of little boys who want to grow up to be racing drivers want to go into Formula One, but for me it was always about touring cars."

Rob and his family decided to take a gamble, entering him in the Formula Renault series – which came with a £150,000 price tag. Thanks to sponsorship from local companies and the generosity of family and friends, the Huffs raised half the money: "We went into the season knowing we didn't have the full budget... so the money ran out: back to the kitchen table."

But then Rob had another stroke of luck: his sister spotted an ad inviting budding drivers to apply for another scholarship, this time with a season in a Renault Clio 1600 grabs.

"The first time I raced the Renault I knew it was going to be good for me. I won a championship in a single seater; I was fast. I always felt I was pushing the boundaries a bit. With the Clio, I just felt an instant connection."

Winning the scholarship, Rob went up against several pros in the Clio: "Here I was 16 years old and new to the racing against people who had been doing it for 10, 15 years..." He ended the season in third – but yet again, with a scholarship at an end, without financial backing.

Appointed a mentor – driver Howden Ganley – British Racing Drivers' Club, Rob was advised to take part in the inaugural Seat Cup: being new and shiny, it was televised (presented by Jason Plato and Neil McAndrews no less) and would undoubtedly raise his profile. Again drumming up sponsorship from

local businesses, including Marshalls, Rob managed to pull together the funds.

"I knew if I didn't win, that was it; I knew it was make or break. Every morning, throughout 2003, I woke up and told myself 'I'm going to do this. I'm going to win.' And win he did.

The win was his ticket to the British Touring Car Championship – just one rung down the ladder from his ultimate goal, World Touring Cars. And when the Chevrolet team, headed by Ray Mallock, took on World Touring Cars the following season, Rob went with them.

"That was the start of eight fantastic years for me. I travelled all over the world, went to some amazing places, and my career became real, if you know what I mean?"

"I finished my first season in 27th, went up to 16th, then 11th, then 9th. And then, in 2011, I lost out on the championship by three points: 430 to 433. Shaking the other guy's hand was one of the hardest things I've ever had to do."

"But the following year there was no more Mr Nice Guy; I just wanted to get the job done."

races outright. It's my favourite track."

The celebrations continued with Rob's wedding to Jas. The couple grew up less than a mile apart, in the village of Stapleford, but didn't meet until seven years ago, while on a night out at Newmarket club De Niro's.

"Honestly, what with the championship and the wedding, 2012 was the perfect year – until the bombshell dropped about Chevrolet. I spent most of our honeymoon in Mauritius checking my emails and making calls, and then, four days from the end, I got a call from Munich Motorsport. And so Rob found himself back in the Seat Leon for a season, before signing his new two-year deal with Lada Sport."

Along with his parents, sister and friends, Rob says Jas has been a huge source of support. But Mrs Huff admits there are times when she worries: "The first race I ever watched was in Mexico. We'd only been together a few months. Rob had a really bad accident and had to be air-lifted away... It wasn't the best start! But he's so calm and confident, it reassures me."

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Police action across county

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A 22-year-old man from Haverhill was one of those arrested during the operation, which took place on January 15.

He was arrested on suspicion of burglary and has been released on bail until February 25.

Patrols also took place to look out for vehicle and property insecurities, ten warrants were executed and stolen property was retrieved.

Detective Chief Inspector Bernie Morgan, who oversees operations for the County Policing Command, said: "These days of action are as much about crime reduction and prevention as they are about warrants and arrests."

"Burglary is an opportunist crime so if residents take simple steps to ensure that their property is secure then we can limit those opportunities and reduce the amount of people who become victims."

Three of the ten warrants, issued on Felixstowe, were targeting those suspected of handling stolen goods and being involved in the supply of drugs.

Doodle – and donate

DOODLERS across the county are being invited to get scribbling alongside celebrities.

Sir Michael Parkinson, Alan Titchmarsh and Bill Nighy are just some of those putting pen to paper to raise money for Epilepsy Action.

An estimated 7,000 people are living with the condition in Suffolk, and the charity supports epilepsy sufferers across the UK.

National Doodle Day aims to get as many people doing a doodle, and donating a pound.

Everyone who takes part also has the chance to win a prize.

Visit the website: nationaldoodleday.org.uk or call 0113 210 8800.

Closing date for entries is Friday, April 4th.

Delight as hospice is praised by inspectors

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A HOSPICE has shone following a surprise inspection into its care.

St Nicholas Hospice Care was assessed in December, following an unannounced inspection by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

The report, which was published on December 31, praised the hospice across the board.

Barbara Gale, St Nicholas Hospice Care Chief Executive, said: "We are so pleased the CQC report has recognised the outstanding quality of care provided by our brilliant staff."

"I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of the team for maintaining the very highest of standards and providing some of the best care in the country."

St Nicholas Hospice Care's services were measured against a checklist, to ensure that the care provided meets Government standards of quality and safety.

Every service evaluated measured up to the Government's recommendations.

Patients, families and staff were also spoken to as part of the inspection, which was a rou-



GOOD MARKS: St Nicholas Hospice Care main site in Bury St Edmunds.

tine visit.

One person is reported as saying "I can't fault any of the care. It is a wonderful experience and the staff here should have a halo".

A staff member also commented that everyone works as a team and focuses on making the hospice a "happy place to work".

"We found that before people received any care or treatment

they were asked for their consent and the provider acted in accordance with their wishes," said the report.

"People's needs were assessed and care and treatment was planned and delivered in line with their individual care plan."

The hospice's first outreach centre is due to open this spring in Haverhill. It will boast a range of facilities

also provided at the main site in Bury St Edmunds, meaning that patients can get the care they need closer to home.

There will be treatment and therapy rooms, activity spaces, offices and meeting rooms.

A new wheelchair lift will also be fitted to the new premises, at the Burton Centre in Camps Road.

Borough mayor to hold black tie ball

GUESTS are being invited to wine and dine with the mayor of St Edmundsbury.

Clr Terry Buckle is hosting a spring ball. Proceeds are going to Cancer Research UK and Moreton Hall Youth Club.

The event is taking place at the Pavilion, at Ravenwood Hall Hotel, Rougham.

Clr Buckle said: "The Mayor's Ball will be one of the highlights of my year in office and I'm very pleased to be raising money for an important charity and a local youth group in the community where I've lived for more than 30 years."

"I have chosen these causes because, sadly, I have lost several relatives to cancer and I want to help the youth club as it does such a wonderful job for young people."

Tickets are £60 and include bucks fizz reception, three-course dinner and live music. To buy tickets email mayors.office@steds.gov.uk or call 01284 757135.



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PCC needs your help with police misconduct panels

IMPARTIAL volunteers are needed to sit on police misconduct panels.

To make sure panels are handled "fairly and professionally", Suffolk police and crime commissioner Tim Passmore is looking for three people to sit on panels in the region, who are over 18 years old and are not involved in policing.

Tim Passmore said: "It is really important that misconduct cases are handled fairly and professionally and having independent members on the panel is crucial.

"We are looking for candi-

dates with strong analytical and communication skills, who have the ability to take a balanced, open-minded and objective approach to the issues presented."

Members will receive a daily allowance for attending hearings as well as travel and subsistence costs.

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Careers advice available for people seeking work

LONG-term unemployed people rely more heavily on advice and support in January, research has revealed.

More than half of questioned career advisers in the East of England said that there is more demand from the unemployed at this time of year.

The start of the New Year is also the time that people vow to make professional changes, they said.

More than 20,000 calls were received by the National Careers Service, who collected the data, in January 2012.

Matthew Hancock, MP for West Suffolk and Skills Minister, said: "The National Careers Service provides sound advice and inspiration to people at any stage of their career, from those starting out, to those wishing to progress to the next level."

"With a record number of jobs available, the National Careers Service provides guidance to help people into productive careers that benefit not only themselves and the businesses they work for, but also the country's economy giving us the ability to continue growing from a stable platform."

The most common request is for help to develop a CV.

Others include advice on finding a new job after seasonal positions end, and enquiring about career changes.

Could you give a home to beautiful Bella?

KITTENS and cats under the care of the Haverhill and Stour Valley branch of Cats Protection are looking for a home – and Haverhill Weekly News is doing its bit to help.

This week a home is wanted for two-year-old female, Bella. Bella came into the branch's care around Christmas time with an older cat.

Her family had to give the pets up because one of their owners developed an allergy. Bella likes to play, once she gets to know you, and is looking to be homed to a mature family – but she isn't too fond of dogs.

Since joining forces with the News, four of the featured cats have been rehomed.

Two ginger males, Hoby and Freddie, and two black kittens, Mittens and Astin, are all settling in to their new homes.

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Sporty Suffolk, thanks to grant

THOUSANDS of pounds in funding for sport has been awarded to a county council.

Sport England handed over £300,000 to Suffolk County Council, aimed at supporting initiatives to increase participation in sport and physical activity.

It is hoped that the Community Sport Activation Fund grant will support the county's ambition to become the most active in England.

Cllr Alan Murray, cabinet member for health and adult care, said: "With Suffolk's ambition to become the most active county in England we're regularly looking at new and innovative ways of encouraging a wide range of

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people to be active, whatever their age or background.

"This funding will allow us to improve on, and extend current successful initiatives, as well as increase sporting opportunities for a range of different people.

"Our focus is especially on assisting those who are currently inactive."

The money will not only be spent on increasing sporting opportunities, but on creating four more park runs across Suffolk, extending a swimming programme to older people and sustaining cycle participation.

Opportunities for disabled people will also be increased, and more sports volunteers will be recruited.

Mike Diaper, Sport England's Director of Community Sport, said: "The investment being made through the Community Sport Activation Fund is making a real difference at a very local level and it's great to be working with Suffolk County Council to offer people the chance to get into sport in a way that best suits them."

The funding will deliver activities over a three year period and involve around 11,000 Suffolk people in sport and physical activity.

Council and police force top charts for gay staff

A CHARITY survey has revealed that Suffolk County Council is one of the UK's best places for members of the gay community to work.

Equalities charity Stonewall showcased the top 100 workplaces for lesbian, gay and bisexual people – and the county council was in the list... in 61st place.

Since 2013, the council has risen 96 places in Stonewall's

Workplace Equality Index.

Adria Pittock, chair of the council's lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender staff network, said: "Suffolk County Council achieving such a high place in the Stonewall Workplace Equality Index Top 100 is fantastic news and is positive proof of the support that the organisation is providing for lesbian, gay and bisexual staff to work. The force has made the top 100 list six years in a row."

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Poirot is alive!

THE REAL CRUCIAL THING IS: WHO WOULD WIN IN A BATTLE BETWEEN POIROT AND SHERLOCK?

It's obviously the question you're all desperate to know the answer to, so I couldn't help but ask BAFTA-nominated Robert Powell, the man playing the inquiring, moustachioed Hercule Poirot in *Black Coffee* at the Cambridge Arts Theatre this week.

The play, Agatha Christie's one and only revolving around Poirot, is finally returning after a 30-year hiatus and features: the Belgian super-sleuth, a rambling country estate, an eccentric murder victim (an inventor by the name of Sir Claude Amory), and intellectual property theft.

Exciting news, no? But seriously, who would win: the cap or the tache? Sherlock the 'high functioning sociopath', or the probing, painstaking Poirot?

"They're completely different," says Powell diplomatically. "With Holmes it is almost entirely done by deduction, Poirot is much more of a psychoanalyst. He is much better with people and this is how he gets results. He understands people very, very well and he likes them so he can get to the truth by knowing which questions to ask."

"It's not so much the observation of somebody's occupation by detecting ink marks on their shirt cuffs; that's not really Poirot."

Best known for playing Jesus in Franco Zeffirelli's *Jesus of Nazareth*, Powell has just completed a stint in *Singin' in the Rain* at the Palace Theatre ("It was huge fun") and, as we speak, is in a taxi, breaking off occasionally to politely shout directions at the driver ("LEFT! There's a level crossing!").

His current role as the powerfully inquisitive murder-mystery solver comes in the wake of the television series, which ended David Suchet's reign as Poirot in November after a hefty 25 years.

Suchet first took charge of the irascible detective in 1989, going on to film every book

Christie ever wrote about him, and, as the final episode drew near, told the BBC: "It's grieving. I'm saying goodbye to a character I've been and have got to know over 25 years . . . it's goodbye to a best friend," adding: "But everything has its time and this is the right time, there are no more Agatha Christie films to make. So that's it."

While there might not be any TV films left to make, it turns out the Agatha Christie Trust had sneakily held back the one play Christie wrote with Poirot as the protagonist, *Black Coffee*.

"They'd held it back for 30 years, purely and simply because they didn't want to do it while the television [show] was on," Powell explains. "It would not be in competition, so to speak, but it would be distracting."

Once it had been announced that David was stripping off the moustache and hanging up his notebook, the trust released the play to rights-holder Bill Kenwright, who swiftly approached Powell to take on the mantle.

"After a little bit of thought . . ." says Powell, pausing: "I didn't really know Christie at all – I'd read the play, a lot of fun – it seemed like a nice proposition. There was no theatre Poirot, so I thought, why not me?"

With the character so recognisably Suchet though – the two are intermingled to a point where it's difficult to untangle one from the other – how will Powell's interpretation and incarnation of Poirot differ?

"Oh it's completely different because it's me. It's a simple as that," he says firmly. "I have the same moustache, but all performances of Hamlet are different even though the actor is saying the same lines. It is different because the actor playing it is different from the one who played it before. Every actor, when playing a part, will bring to it who they are and what they do, and that's just how it works."

• Read much more from this interview at cambridge-news.co.uk/Whats-on-leisure/

As Agatha Christie's Black Coffee returns to the stage after 30 years, ELLA WALKER talks to the new Poirot about taking on such an iconic role – and whether or not he'd win a fight against Sherlock, obviously

■ *Black Coffee*, starring Robert Powell, pictured: Cambridge Arts Theatre, until Saturday, January 25 at 7.45pm. Tickets £15-£30 from (01223) 503333 / cambridgeartstheatre.purchase-tickets-online.co.uk/public

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Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

ANDREW BURTON previews the Royal Philharmonic's first performance as Cambridge Corn Exchange's orchestra in residence

A NIGHT of American classics is set to thrill the Corn Exchange audience when one of the nation's best-loved ensembles takes to the stage for the first time as orchestra in residence.

Rising star David Charles Abell will conduct the Royal Philharmonic with award-winning piano soloist Freddy Kempf, who made his first major concert appearance with the orchestra at the age of 8.

the orchestra at the age of 8. He went on to win the coveted BBC Young Musician of the Year Award and is now, at 36, one of the most sought-after pianists in the world.

You will even be able to bring along your mobile device of choice and watch a streamed film of local youngsters dancing to the infectious rhythms of the jazz-inspired music.

The concert will open with Gershwin's upbeat *Girl Crazy Overture*, *I Got Rhythm Variations* and the haunting

Rhapsody in Blue, with its inimitable opening of rising clarinet notes.

Copland's *Rodeo* excerpts exhibit the sheer energy and exuberance of a Broadway musical and Bernstein's *On the Town: Four Dance Episodes* are a refreshing blend of jazz, pop and symphonic music.

The evening will end on a playful note with Gershwin's whimsical *An American in Paris*, made famous by MGM's Oscar-winning 1951 film which

starred Gene Kelly.
The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra will be back in Cambridge on Thursday, March 13, with major works by Beethoven and featuring pianist John Lill.

Tickets for all concerts in the *Cambridge News*-backed 2013/14 Cambridge Classical Concert Series can be booked online at cornex.co.uk or by calling (01223) 357851.



■ Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Cambridge Corn Exchange, Thursday, January 30, at 7.30pm. Tickets £26-£35 from (01223) 357851 or cornex.co.uk

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4.30, 6.30; Mon-Thu 1.30, 4.30, 6.30;
Grudge Match (12A): Fri 1.20, 6.30,
9.05; Sat-Sun 6.30, 9.05; Mon-Thu
1.20, 6.30, 9.05
The Wolf Of Wall Street (18): Fri-Thu
12.30, 4.15 (subtitles Sun), 8
12 Years A Slave (5): Fri 2.20, 5.20,
8.20; Sat-Sun 11.20am, 2.20, 5.20,
8.20; Mon-Thu 2.20 (subtitles Tues),
5.20, 8.20
The Railway Man (15): Fri-Sun 5.50;
Mon 4; Tues-Wed 5.50
American Hustle (15): Fri-Sun 2.40,
8.30; Mon 12.50; Tues-Wed 2.40,
8.30; Thu 3.50
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(12A): Sat-Sun 12.00
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12 Years A Slave (15, subtitles): Sun
1.15; Tues 7.40
Autism Friendly Screening: Free Birds
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Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit (12A): Fri-Sat 11am, 1.30, 4.30, 6.30, 9.15, Sun-Thu 11am, 1.30, 4.30, 6.30, 9.15
Inside Llewyn Davis (15): Fri-Thu 11.00, 3.40, 6.10, 8.30
Grudge Match (12A): Fri 11am, 1.35, 6.45, 9.20, 11; Sat 6.45, 9.20, 11; Sun-Thu 11am, 1.35, 6.45, 9.20
August: Osage County (15): Fri 12noon, 2.30, 5.15, 8; Sat-Sun 2.30, 5.15, 8; Mon-Thu 12noon, 2.30, 5.15, 8
The Wolf Of Wall Street (18): Fri-Thu 12.15 (subtitles Mon), 4, 7.45
12 Years A Slave (15): Fri-Sat 11.5am, 2.10, 5.10, 8.10,10.25;
Sun-Thu 11.5am, 2.10, 5.10, 8.10
Delivery Man (12A): Fri-Tues 8.20
The Railway Man (15): Fri 3; Mon-Tues 3
American Hustle (15): Fri 11am, 2, 8.40; Sat-Sun 5.20, 8.40; Mon 11am, 2, 8.40 Tues 11am, 2, 5.20,
8.40; Wed 11am, 2, 8.40
Last Vegas (2D) Fri 12.30, 5.50;
Sat-Sun 12noon, 5.50; Mon-Tues 12.30, 5.50; Wed-Thu 12.30
The Hobbit: The Desolation Of Smaug (12A): Fri 5.10; Sat-Sun 1.40
Mon-Wed 5.10
Frozen (PG): Fri 1.45; Sat-Sun 10am, 11am (subtitles Sun); 12.30, 1.30, 3, 4.15; Mon-Thu 4.15
Movies for Juniors:
The Smurfs 2 (U): Sat-Sun 10.10am
The Croods (U): Sat 10am
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 (U): Sat-Sun 10.20am
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12 Years A Slave (PG): Fri 11am, 2, 5.75; Sat 2, 5, 7.50; Sun 12noon, 3, 6; Mon 1, 4; Tues 2, 5, 7.50; Wed 11am, 2, 5.75; Thu 2, 4; Child's Poss (15): Tues 11.30am
Picturehouse Pythons, Kids Club: Muppets From Space (U): Sat 11am Toddler Time: Rastamouse: Skratchy Banks (U): Tues 11.30am

film of the week

JACK RYAN: SHADOW RECRUIT

DEDICATED to the memory of Tom Clancy who died in October, *Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit* is an old-fashioned espionage thriller which revives the writer's most popular fictional character.

Unlike its predecessors (*The Hunt For Red October*, *Patriot Games*, *Clear And Present Danger* or *The Sum Of All Fears*), Kenneth Branagh's film is not adapted from a specific book in the series. Instead, scriptwriters Adam Cozad and David Koopman transplant the eponymous CIA operative into a modern-day terrorist scenario to lay the foundations for a new big-screen franchise.

The film opens with footage of the September 11 attacks and then jumps forwards two years to the conflict in Afghanistan where enemy forces shoot down a US Marine Corps helicopter. On board is Second Lieutenant Jack Ryan (Chris Pine), who incurs massive damage to his spine.

Thanks to encouragement
from medical student Cathy

A man in a light-colored suit and tie stands on the roof of a dark-colored car, leaning forward as if performing a dance move. He is wearing a black leather belt and black shoes. In the background, another person is visible near a red railing.

Muller (Keira Knightley), Ryan learns to walk again and fatherly CIA agent William Harper (Kevin Costner) encourages him to return to university to complete his economics degree.

who seems to be at the centre of the diabolical plot.

Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit is solid, undemanding popcorn entertainment that doesn't deviate from a well-worn path. It's solid, bombastic entertainment, punctuated by outrageous, briskly edited action sequences that owe a sizeable debt to *The Bourne Identity* and its influential sequels.

Keep watch out for garden birds

THERE'S never really an excuse for not having a bird feeder standing in your garden. But with the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch taking place on Saturday and Sunday, there is no better time to invest in a bird feeder, or two, to keep our feathered friends happy during the winter and beyond.

There's a plethora of bird feeders on sale, but the RSPB advises keeping in mind some general rules when buying one.

Hanging feeders should be simple designs so they are easy to clean.

Feeders with cages around the feeding area or with squirrel guards are best to prevent squirrel problems. Metal varieties tend to be more squirrel-resistant.

Also, ensure there are no moving parts which could trap birds' feet, make sure the products can drain easily, and avoid using mesh bags to house fat balls, because birds' feet can also become trapped in those.

Henry Corbett, Solus Garden & Leisure's head of gardening brands, says: "One of the most important considera-

tions should be that the bird feeder is suitable for the type of food it's going to hold."

"For example, seed mixes need a specialist seed feeder. Most suppliers will sell specific feed designed for individual species such as blackbirds, robins and blue tits, so ensure you have the right feeder for the feed you intend to use."

"Robins and blackbirds are ground feeding birds and require surface feeders. Other birds, such as blue tits, cling on hanging feeders."

He also advises gardeners to hang feeders away from trees and walls to avoid giving cats easy access to birds, preferably on metal poles that the cat can't climb up or jump on to.

"Finally, don't forget feeding is a year-round requirement. If you start feeding the birds in your garden, don't stop – birds become reliant on your help."

Here're just a few of the best feeders on the market:

■ Feed your garden visitors with a quirky ceramic bird feeder from Suttons which features a mixed floral de-



by Hannah Stephenson

sign and comes complete with hanging chain. (£10.99, www.suttons.co.uk, or call 0844 922 0606)

■ Protect your bird feed from pests while bringing classic style into the garden, with a ChapelWood antique bird feeder. Made from hardwearing steel, each high capacity feeder features an integral tube, surrounded by an ornate anti-squirrel cage.

Embellished with floral details and a pre-weathered finish, the feeders are available in either dark verdigris or light cream. Each design can be bought as a peanut and sunflower feeder or a

seed feeder. (£29.99, for stockists visit www.chapelwoodwildlife.co.uk)

■ If you want a feeder which fits into a rural setting, check out another design from Suttons.

It's a hanging willow feeder complete with roof to keep the contents dry. It features six separate compartments, each containing carefully selected seeds to attract a variety of birds. (£20.99)

■ Children will love this ChapelWood Robin Fun Feeder, pictured above, (£7.99). It's ideal for use with sunflower hearts, black sunflowers and peanuts. Made from painted metal mesh it is designed to attract a wild variety of birds to the garden.

■ Pretty, practical and fun, the terracotta acorn bird feeder from the RSPB is frost-resistant with three feeding holes. Hang it from a tree or feeding station and fill it with mealworms or seeds to attract the birds. (£13.50, www.rspb.org.uk)

■ Want to keep squirrels at bay but keep the birds coming? Take a look at the Guardian large seed feeder pack



from CJ Wildlife (£37.95, www.bird-food.co.uk, or Freephone 0800 731 2820) which features a central feeder with six portals on which birds can perch, surrounded by a sturdy cage to keep squirrels out.

■ For smaller birds, consider the RSPB-recommended Helix Seed Feeder (£34.99, www.rspb.org.uk), an attractive feeder housed within a sturdy stainless steel frame, offering safe feeding for smaller birds with high squirrel resistance.

■ An elegant arched station rather like an obelisk, which has bird feeders hanging from it, is available from Harrod Horticultural.

Available in galvanised and matt black powder coated steel framework, it comes with a 10 year guarantee. Up to three feeders can be hung on the squirrel-proof fixing hooks which stop feeders being unhooked and thrown to the ground. (£59, www.harrodhorticultural.com, call 0845 402 5300)

■ For details on the Big Garden Birdwatch 2014, go to www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

puzzles

ACROSS

- Kind of varnish provided by company colleague (5)
- Precise arrangement used by those who prepare food (7)
- Partly discover allusion to this garment (7)
- Young member of the family squandering coins (5)
- See 6 Down.
- Wonder whether to blend this tea before starting exports (8)
- Pity it's only part of the Old Testament (4)
- See 18 Down.
- Didn't go to sea in a rush (8)
- Copies part of a shape symmetrically (4)
- Languid feeling that makes some of the children nuisances (5)
- Play on words? (7)
- They slip easily from a shelf in the ship (7)
- As cads, they're trodden underfoot (5)

DOWN

- Stuffy army accommodation at which hand-to-

crossword

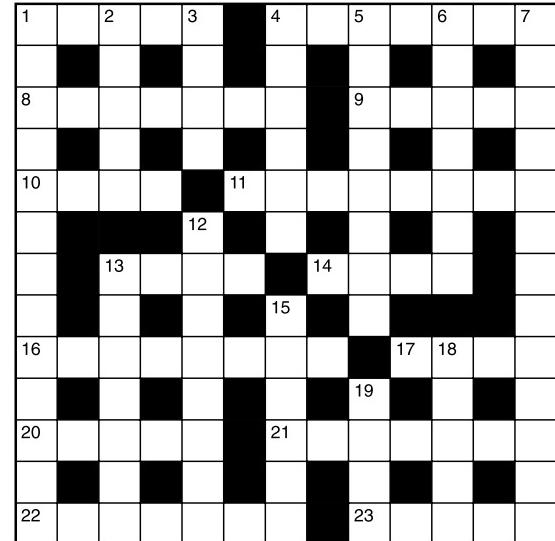
- hand fighting takes place (5,8)
 2. Kind of meal done bit by bit (5)
 3. Hang around for some bread (6)
 4. This will even out the wave (6)
 5. Ignominiously dismisses the accountants (8)
 6 & 10Ac. Soldier observes the detectives (7,4)
 7. Lack of feeling shows stupidity (13)
 12. Taking industrial action is attractive (8)
 13. More can be distracted by novel story (7)
 15. They are intended to keep out the receivers (6)
 18 & 14Ac. But it's not the source of timber for aircraft (5-4)
 19. What the witness gives evidence on (4)

Last week's answers: Across: 3 Dramatist; 8 Raid; 9 Attribute; 10 Castle; 11 Fleet; 14 Drone; 15 Tent; 16 Yards; 18 Read; 20 Error; 21 Nomad; 24 Return; 25 Bookmaker; 26 Alas; 27 Sturgeons. Down: 1 Procedure; 2 Kinswoman; 4 Rate; 5 Moral; 6 Tablet; 7 Site; 9 Alley; 11 Fired; 12 Tearfully; 13 Sternness; 17 Sever; 19 Docker; 22 Amaze; 23 Port; 24 Rein.

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Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters

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The clues

- 7869 gives meals
 5429 gives cakes
 1389 gives confections

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the GUIDE

SATURDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 The Good Cook. 12.00pm Football Focus. 12.45 Saturday Sportday. 1.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 1.15 Inspire: The Olympic Journey. 1.45 Live Athletics: UK Indoor Match. The indoor meeting at the Emirates Arena in Glasgow. 4.30 Final Score. 5.20 Dynamo: Magician Impossible. 6.00 Reflex. 6.45 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 7.00 The Voice UK. Emma Willis and Marvin Humes host the third round of auditions, with Kylie Minogue, Tom Jones, Will.i.am and Ricky Wilson aiming to bolster their teams further. 8.15 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Nick Knowles hosts the game show. Including the Lotto and Thunderball draws. 9.10 Casualty. Dixie is accused of assault. 10.00 Mrs Brown's Boys. Agnes tries to solve Dermot's relationship problems. 10.30 BBC News; Weather; National Lottery Update. 10.50 FILM: Air Force One (1997). Action thriller, starring Harrison Ford. 12.45am FILM: The Two Mr Kisses (2008). Fact-based drama, with John Stamos and Anson Mount. 2.10 Weatherview. 2.15 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00am This Is BBC2. 6.45 FILM: The Spanish Main (1945). Swashbuckling adventure, starring Paul Henreid. 8.25 Live Tennis: Australian Open Women's Final. Sue Barker presents coverage of the women's singles final at Melbourne Park. 11.30 Great British Railway Journeys. 12.00pm The A to Z of TV Cooking. 12.45 The Big Bread Experiment. 1.45 Escape to the Country. 2.30 Live International Bowls. The World Indoor Championships. 4.30 Coast. 5.00 Wild Arabia. 7.00 Flog It! Experts Philip Serrell and Charlie Ross examine heirlooms in Tavistock, Devon. 8.00 Dad's Army. Frazer loses part of a gun. 8.30 Morecambe & Wise in Pieces: At Home. Penelope Keith presents a look through the archives at the parts of the comedy duo's shows in which they appeared in sketches set in domestic situations. 9.30 QI XL. Extended edition. With Victoria Coren Mitchell, Bill Bailey and Jimmy Carr. 10.15 FILM: West Is West (2010). Comedy sequel, starring Om Puri. 11.55 International Bowls. The World Indoor Championships. 12.55am This Is BBC2.

ITV

6.00am CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 Dinner Date. 10.25 Murder, She Wrote. 11.25 ITV News and Weather; Weather. 11.30 Catchphrase. 12.15pm Live FA Cup Football. Bournemouth v Liverpool (Kick-off 12.45pm). 3.00 All Star Family Fortunes. 3.40 You've Been Framed! 4.10 FILM: Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (2010). Fantasy comedy, starring Emma Thompson. 6.20 ITV News Anglia; Weather. 6.30 ITV News and Weather. 6.45 Splash! 8.15 Take Me Out. A Cornwall surfer, a festival lover from Watford, a Bedford carpenter and a Take That tribute star from Manchester try to impress a panel of women. 9.30 The Jonathan Ross Show. The host subjects another batch of celebrity guests to no-holds-barred questioning. Plus, musical performances by A-list bands and solo artists. 10.30 ITV News and Weather; Weather. 10.45 FA Cup Football Highlights. Action from the completed fourth-round matches, including Southend United v Hull City, and Bolton Wanderers v Cardiff City. 12.00am The Cube. 12.50 Jackpot247. 3.00 Ladette to Lady: Australia. 3.45 ITV Nightscreen.

6.10am The American Football Show: The Road to the Super Bowl. 7.05 Trans World Sport. 8.00 The Morning Line. 9.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.30 Frasier. 10.00 The Big Bang Theory. 11.00 How I Met Your Mother. 11.55 The Simpsons. 12.25pm The Taste. 1.30 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Cheltenham and Doncaster. 4.00 Come Dine with Me. 6.30 Channel 4 News. 7.00 Speed with Guy Martin. The racing fan embarks on a mission to fly using muscle power alone, teaming up with engineers from Southampton University to build the fastest man-powered aircraft in the world.

8.00 Bigfoot Files. Geneticist Bryan Sykes and presenter Mark Evans embark on a global quest to solve the riddle of creatures such as the sasquatch. 9.00 Hostages. Kincaid decides to switch doctors. 10.00 FILM: Underworld: Rise of the Lycans (2009). Premiere. Fantasy prequel, starring Michael Sheen. 11.45 FILM: 30 Days of Night (2007). Horror, starring Josh Hartnett. 1.50am Southland. 2.35 Hollyoaks. 4.50 Deal or No Deal. 5.45 Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard.

CHANNEL 4

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers: Megaforce. 10.35 Access. 10.50 World's Worst Holiday Horrors. 11.50 Celebrity Big Brother: Live Eviction. 1.15pm FILM: Legally Blonde (2001). Comedy, starring Reese Witherspoon. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 4.00 FILM: Columbo: A Deadly State of Mind (1975). Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. 5.50 NCIS.

9.20 5 News Weekend. Celebrity Big Brother. With the reality series extended, further highlights of yesterday's goings-on, including reaction to another eviction ahead of Wednesday's final. 10.30 Celebrity Big Brother's Bit on the Psych. Ryan Clark is joined by Carol McGiffin, Iain Lee and a panel of psychologists and body-language experts.

11.45 Ultimate Police Interceptors. Jason is called to the scene of a bludgeoning. Last in the series.

12.15am SuperCasino. 3.10 Road Terror: Caught on Camera. 4.00 Wildlife SOS. 4.25 Make It Big. 4.50 The Funky Valley Show. 5.00 Angels of Jarm. 5.10 Hana's Helpline. 5.20 The Funky Valley Show. 5.40 Hana's Helpline.



The Jump, Sunday,
Channel 4, 8pm

SUNDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Sunday Politics. 12.15pm Wanted Down Under. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.15 Moving On. 2.00 Bargain Hunt. 2.45 Helicopter Heroes. 3.15 Escape to the Country. 4.00 Songs of Praise. 4.35 Hidden Kingdoms. 5.35 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 6.00 Fake or Fortune? 7.00 Countryside. Ellie Harrison and John Craven visit the Gwaun Valley and Preseli Hills in Pembrokeshire, uncovering Iron Age treasures and giving an ancient forest a new lease of life. Including Weather for the Week Ahead. 8.00 Call the Midwife. Jenny helps a mum-to-be whose baby was not fathered by her husband – and to complicate matters, the real father is black. Cynthia is inspired by a lecture on natural childbirth. 9.00 The Musketeers. D'Artagnan tries to prove he is worthy of joining the Musketeers. 10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 10.25 FILM: Meet the Fockers (2004). Comedy sequel, starring Ben Stiller. 12.15am Weatherview. 12.20 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00am FILM: Hue and Cry (1947). Ealing comedy, starring Alastair Sim. 7.20 Countryfile Winter Special. 8.15 Live Tennis: Australian Open Men's Final. Sue Barker presents coverage of the men's singles final at Melbourne Park. 12.00pm Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 1.30 The Big Bread Experiment. 2.30 Live International Bowls. The World Indoor Championships. 5.15 Ski Sunday. 6.00 Wild Arabia. 7.00 Flog It! Charlie Ross and Philip Serrell help contestants sell antiques at auction in Tenby, Pembrokeshire. 8.00 The Coffee Trail with Simon Reeve. The adventurer examines the coffee industry in Vietnam, meeting some of the millions of people involved in picking, packing and transporting it to the UK. 9.00 Dragons' Den. The business ideas contest returns after a mid-series break. A 20-year-old entrepreneur from Essex pitches an ingenious cure for water-damaged mobile phones. 10.00 FILM: Blood Diamond (2006). Action thriller, starring Leonardo DiCaprio. 12.10am Sign Zone: Countryfile Winter Special. 1.10 Sign Zone: Holby City. 2.10 This Is BBC2.

ITV

6.00am CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Crocodile Hunter Diaries. 10.00 Inside the National Trust. 11.00 ITV News and Weather; Weather. 11.15 Splash! 12.45pm FILM: From Russia with Love (1963). James Bond thriller, starring Sean Connery. 3.00 Live FA Cup Football. Chelsea v Stoke City (Kick-off 3.30pm). 5.50 ITV News Anglia; Weather. 6.00 ITV News and Weather. 6.15 All Star Family Fortunes. Brian McFadden and Diane Parish take part. 8.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off. Another skater leaves. 9.00 Mr Selfridge. A protest stirs up emotions among the staff, with some asking whether Harry will leave if war breaks out, while Lord Loxley thwarts Lady Mae's plans to escape. 10.00 ITV News at Ten and Weather. 10.15 Birds of a Feather. The girls become involved with three very different men. 10.45 FA Cup Football Highlights. Action from today's fourth-round matches. 11.45 Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union. The penultimate round of pool fixtures. 12.45am The Store. 2.45 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 4.10 ITV Nightscreen. 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show.

6.10am The Hoobs. 7.00 Snowdonia Marathon. 8.00 Will & Grace. 8.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.00 Frasier. 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.30pm The Big Bang Theory. 1.25 How I Met Your Mother. 2.20 The Simpsons. 3.20 Deal or No Deal. 4.25 Channel 4 News. 4.55 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast. 6.00 FILM: Mirror Mirror (2012). Premiere. Fantasy, starring Julia Roberts.

8.00 The Jump. New series. Celebrities battle it out in a series of challenging winter sport disciplines and two of them face a live ski jump each night to keep their place in the competition. Continues tomorrow. 9.00 FILM: Unstoppable (2010). Two train operators must stop a runaway locomotive carrying toxic chemicals before it causes a major disaster. Tony Scott's action thriller, with Denzel Washington and Chris Pine. 10.50 FILM: GI Joe: The Rise of Cobra (2009). Action adventure, starring Channing Tatum. 1.05am Mesh: Tourist Trap. 1.10 Night Walking. 1.15 FILM: Day Watch (2006). Fantasy sequel, starring Kostantin Khabensky. 3.25 Southland. 4.10 Enough. 4.15 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent. 5.10 Kirstie's Vintage Gems. 5.30 Deal or No Deal.

CHANNEL 4

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers: Super Samurai. 10.35 Access. 10.45 The Town the Travellers Took Over. 11.40 Celebrity Big Brother. 12.40pm Terror in the Skies: Scariest Flights. 1.40 Road Terror: Caught on Camera. 2.40 FILM: Bewitched (2005). Romantic fantasy comedy, with Nicole Kidman and Wil Ferrell. 4.40 FILM: Fairytale: A True Story (1997). Fact-based drama, with Florence Hoath. 6.35 FILM: Outbreak (1995). Thriller, starring Dustin Hoffman. 8.50 5 News Weekend. Celebrity Big Brother: Live Eviction. Emma Willis chats to the latest housemate to leave about their time on the show and how they got on with the other residents. 10.00 FILM: Harry Brown (2009). Crime thriller, starring Michael Caine. 11.55 Autopsy: Anna Nicole Smith's Last Hours. Dr Richard Shepherd investigates the death of the model in February 2007. Last in the series. 12.55am SuperCasino. 3.10 My Post-Baby Breakdown. Jennifer Ellison. 4.00 Wildlife SOS. 4.20 Make It Big. 4.50 The Funky Valley Show. 5.00 Angels of Jarm. 5.10 Hana's Helpline. 5.20 The Funky Valley Show. 5.40 Hana's Helpline.

CHANNEL 5

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers: Megaforce. 10.35 Access. 10.50 World's Worst Holiday Horrors. 11.50 Celebrity Big Brother: Live Eviction. 1.15pm FILM: Legally Blonde (2001). Comedy, starring Reese Witherspoon. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 4.00 FILM: Columbo: A Deadly State of Mind (1975). Crime drama, starring Peter Falk.

5.50 NCIS. 9.20 5 News Weekend. Celebrity Big Brother. With the reality series extended, further highlights of yesterday's goings-on, including reaction to another eviction ahead of Wednesday's final.

9.30 The Jump on the Psych. Ryan Clark is joined by Carol McGiffin, Iain Lee and a panel of psychologists and body-language experts.

10.30 Celebrity Big Brother's Bit on the Psych. Rylan Clark is joined by Carol McGiffin, Iain Lee and a panel of psychologists and body-language experts.

11.45 Ultimate Police Interceptors. Jason is called to the scene of a bludgeoning. Last in the series.



The Jump, Sunday,
Channel 4, 8pm

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PROPERTY NEWS

January 23, 2014

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Extended family home



Great Bradley: £189,950

AN EXTENDED semi-detached three family house in the Clarendale Estate in the popular Suffolk village of Great Bradley is now on the market for £189,950. It has a lounge, dining room, study and kitchen, while upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom.

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Cleves Road £289,950

Detached family house offering g/f cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, study, five bedrooms, three en-suites, bathroom, g/f ch, front & rear gardens, tandem garage & generous driveway. EPC Rating D, 66

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Westward Deals, Kedington £152,000

Extended terraced family house, open plan lounge/diner, kitchen, g/f shower room, three bedrooms, family bathroom, enclosed rear garden, g/f ch and single garage to rear of property. EPC rating - D, 68



Minerva Close

£250,000

Extremely well presented detached family house offering lounge, g/f cloakroom, kitchen/diner, utility room, three bedrooms, en-suite, dressing room, bathroom, front & rear gardens, g/f c/h, double garage & driveway. EPC Rating D, 66

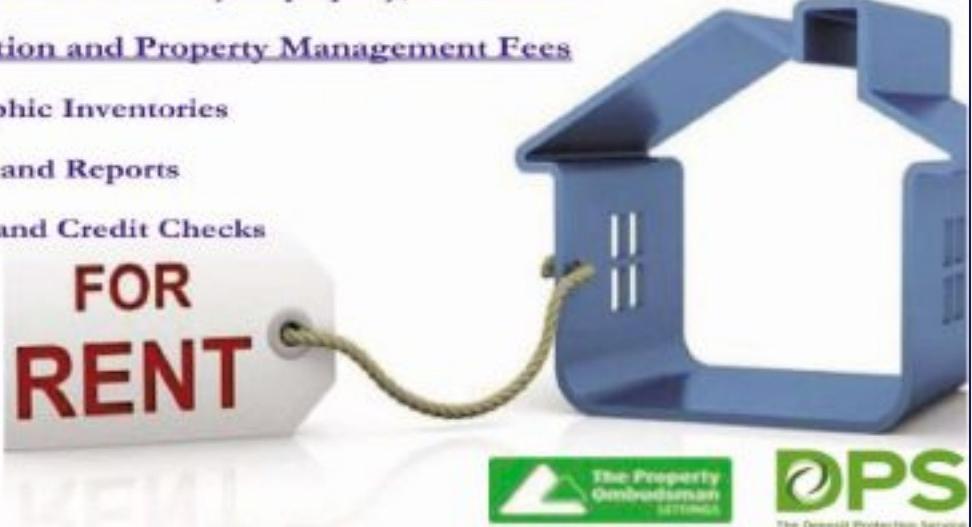


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Ickleton Place £695 pcm

Well presented family house situated on the popular Chalkstone development. The property offers: g/f cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen, four bedrooms, bathroom, UPVC double glazing, g/f ch to radiators and front & rear gardens. EPC rating: C, 73. Available now.



MeadowSweet Close £695 pcm

End of terrace house offering: lounge, kitchen/dining room, two bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, UPVC double glazing (where stated), g/f ch to radiators and an enclosed rear garden. EPC rating: D, 69



Colne Valley Road £650 pcm



Ickleton Place £695 pcm

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Vetch Walk £137,950

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Chaplains Close £197,000

Semi detached double story extended family house offering: lounge, g/f cloakroom, dining room, kitchen, four double bedrooms, shower room, family bathroom, UPVC double glazing (where stated), enclosed rear garden and garage & driveway.



Friar Close £254,950

Well presented double-story extended link detached family house offering: lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, conservatory, five bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, UPVC double glazing, g/f ch and front & rear gardens. Offered with no onward chain. EPC rating: D, 62.



Castle Lane £129,995

Terraced family house offering: lounge, kitchen/dining room, g/f cloakroom/shower room, three bedrooms, family bathroom, UPVC double glazing, g/f ch and enclosed rear garden. In need of certain refurbishment works & decoration. No onward chain. EPC rating: D, 66.



Mill Road, Kedington £289,950

Well presented detached family house offering: g/f cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms (previously four bedrooms) to the first floor with en-suite bathroom to the master bedroom. There is the added benefit of g/f ch, UPVC double glazing, front & rear gardens and garage & driveway.

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Primrose Hill £145,000



Sorrel Walk £149,995



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Dovehouse Road £219,950

Semi detached family house offering: g/f cloakroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms, family bathroom, UPVC double glazing (where stated), g/f c/h to radiators, front & rear gardens and a garage & driveway. EPC rating: D, 67



Ickleton Place £149,950

Terraced family offering g/f cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen, four bedrooms, family bathroom, UPVC double glazing (where stated), g/f c/h and front and rear gardens. No onward chain. EPC rating: C, 73.

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Dash End, Kedington

£189,950

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Helions Bumpstead

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Shetland Road £167,500

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Clarendale Estate, Great Bradley

Extended semi-detached family house offering: lounge, dining room, study, kitchen, three bedrooms, family bathroom, double glazing (where stated), oil fired c/h to radiators, enclosed rear garden, garage and driveway. Viewing highly recommended. EPC rating: E, 57

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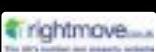
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In all about 3.75 acres.

Guide £1,275,000

EPC Rating: C

PENTLOW

Haverhill 10 miles - Sudbury 2 miles



A Grade II Listed barn conversion. Reception hall, 2 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast/family room, utility, shower room, bathroom, 5 bedrooms (1 en suite) and off road parking.

In all about 2.14 acres.

Guide £750,000

STOKE BY CLARE

Haverhill 5 miles - Cambridge 22 miles



This beautifully presented detached home has been updated and extended in recent years and set in a quiet rural location backing onto mature woodland. Drawing room, kitchen/dining room, study, cloakroom, utility, 4 bedrooms (2 en suite) and family bathroom. Carport and garage/store, parking and gardens.
In all about .66 of an acre.

Guide £650,000

EPC Rating: D

STOKE BY CLARE

Haverhill 6 miles - Clare 2.5 miles



A well presented period cottage. 2 receptions, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms (1 en suite) and shower room. Garage and gardens.

EPC Rating: F

Guide £375,000

STOKE BY CLARE

Haverhill 6 miles - Clare 2 miles



An individual new home situated on the outskirts of the village. Sitting room, dining room, study, kitchen, utility, 2 bathrooms (1 en suite), 4 bedrooms, garage and garden.
In all about 0.21 of an acre.

Guide £435,000

BELCHAMP ST PAUL

Haverhill 10 miles - Clare 4 miles



A tastefully presented semi-detached home in a popular village location. Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, utility, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms (1 en suite) and bathroom. Parking and garden.

Guide £320,000

EPC Rating: C

POSLINGFORD

Haverhill 9 miles - Clare 2 miles



A charming Victorian cottage situated in a quiet village location. 2 receptions, kitchen, utility, 3 bedrooms, attic/occasional bedroom and bathroom. Timber workshop and garden.
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Skoda Rapid Spaceback



SKODA'S ordinary Rapid may be a five-door hatch but it's not a very conventional one, writes *Andy Enright*.

Potential buyers uncomfortable with that will be far happier with this Spaceback variant, a car designed to go head-to-head with the Focus, Astra and Golf class leaders. Though a little smaller than its stablemate, it's certainly more stylish and at last gives this Czech brand a really credible contender in this important sector.

The Rapid Spaceback runs on a similar platform to the Rapid hatch, so there aren't any great surprises regarding the way it drives. That means you get what looks like a fairly rudimentary chassis set-up with a simple strut front suspension and a torsion beam rear end. The chassis is an interesting though, using a front end that's been modified from the VW Polo, while the rear chassis structure and suspension are identical to that which props up the posterior of the VW Beetle. It's similar to the Rapid

hatch and shares its 2602mm wheelbase but measures 180mm shorter due to a reduced rear overhang.

Skoda offers two diesel and four petrol engines, with the entry-level powerplant in the range being a 1.2-litre three-cylinder petrol unit that packs 73bhp. It'll thrash its way to

The Rapid Spaceback at last gives the Czech brand a really credible contender

No prizes for flair, but it is supremely reliable and available at a good price

60mph in 13.4 seconds. A more satisfying option is the rather brilliant turbocharged 1.2-litre TSI four cylinder unit (in 85bhp and 103bhp states of tune) while there's a seven-speed DSG-gearboxed 120bhp 1.4-litre TSI at the top of the range that

looks a little redundant but which is the only car in the range that can crack 10 seconds to 60mph. The 1.6-litre turbodiesel versions come in 89 or 104bhp guises, with a seven-speed DSG gearbox an alternative to the standard manual five-speeder in the lower-powered variant.

The Spaceback's bodywork is new from the B-pillars back and it's a crisp piece of design work. The rear end features neat triangular insets either side of the number plate holder and if you choose the optional panoramic glass roof, it then combines neatly with a 'prolong' tinted rear screen for a contrasting look that works best on pale coloured cars. The Rapid hatch already had a huge luggage capacity, so losing a bit of that for the sake of a perter rear end doesn't exactly mean you'll have to travel light. This goes down from 550 to 415-litres, although rear passenger space hasn't been affected. The luggage bay can be specified with a double floor to ensure that valuables are kept out of sight. Fold the

60/40 split rear seats and you get up to 1,380-litres of luggage capacity (down from 1490-litres in the standard Rapid).

The Rapid Spaceback might at first seem an answer to a problem entirely of Skoda's own making. People are comfortable with conventional hatchback shapes. Challenge them with something a bit different and it often becomes a niche seller or worse, ignored altogether. The Rapid hatchback is a good car but it's different, refusing to fit neatly into the pre-defined categories many buyers expect. In contrast, this Spaceback version will be a much easier sell. Although its angular shape doesn't look immediately like a Focus or an Astra, customers can clearly see that those kinds of cars offer direct competition.

It's a solid piece of design work too. The interior isn't going to win any prizes for flair, but if you want to make a choice that's supremely reliable and which is available at a good price, the Rapid Spaceback more than justifies its existence.

factfile

MODEL: Skoda Rapid Spaceback range

Prices: £14,340-£18,900

Top speed: 118mph [est]

0-60mph: 10.8 seconds [1.6 TDI 105]

Economy (Comb'd): 64.2mpg [1.6 TDI 105]

Emissions: 104-134g/km

Insurance: Groups 6-14

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verdict

Looks: Well made and easy on the eye

Practicality: Lots

Performance: Always highly competent

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Pug 5008 now even smarter

PEUGEOT'S versatile 5008 mid-size people carrier has been given the update treatment for 2014. The French car maker's MPV gains a comprehensive makeover, bringing it into line with the rest of the range of recent models that includes the 208, 2008, New 308 and 3008 Crossover.

The car's update features external changes to enhance the visual appeal of the practical seven-seater. It also includes external and internal upgrades, a higher specification, new equip-

ment and revised pricing. Key to the 5008's appeal is the latest Peugeot family 'face' with the front grille that's already a feature of the recently-launched Peugeot 208 and 2008.

It's flanked by redesigned headlamps with LED detailing.

Nine colours are available along with extra chrome trim around the windows.

Alloy wheels are available from 16-inch to 18-inch, plus the introduction of a new 17-inch diamond

Anhra Grey wheel design.

Enhanced specification is now available at every level and though there is a small price increase; £200 on Access, £300 on Active and £350 on Allure trim levels, Peugeot claims the updated specification, when combined with the re-styled exterior, easily outweighs the extra cost.

Prices for the revised 5008 start at £18,800 for petrol-powered models, with £20,495 the starting price for the diesel vari-



CLASSY: The Peugeot 5008 has been updated for 2014

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ED Upward used to be the aftersales manager at Haywards motorcycle shop, but when the business moved to Girton last year it meant that the site on Histon Road became empty and when an offer came along he decided to set up shop there and that's how Motoworks Cambridge opened its doors on January 2, 2014, writes Mike Scialom.

"I carried on as aftersales manager for Haywards for a few months at Girton and the opportunity came up to take on a smaller premises based where Haywards had been and so we've taken over their old workshop and office," says Ed. "Having a smaller section gave me the opportunity to make a good go of it."

"Our core business is motorcycles but we also do some marine work," adds Ed, whose firm employs three people operating on a workshop and office on the site where the legendary motorcycle retailer used to be. "Haywards is concentrating on sales of their franchises and we're running an all-makes motorcycle and scooter workshop and service centre, and selling all makes and sizes of used motorcycles and scooters."

The site has room for up to ten motorcycles inside and room for another eight outside.

"The sorts of vehicles we have on sale at the moment include a Suzuki 600 GXR at £1,495, a Vespa LXV 125,



OPEN: Motoworks has a great introductory winter check offer for new customers

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Motoworks specialises in servicing and MoT work, "and we're also offering a brokerage for people with bikes so we can sell their wheels on their behalf".

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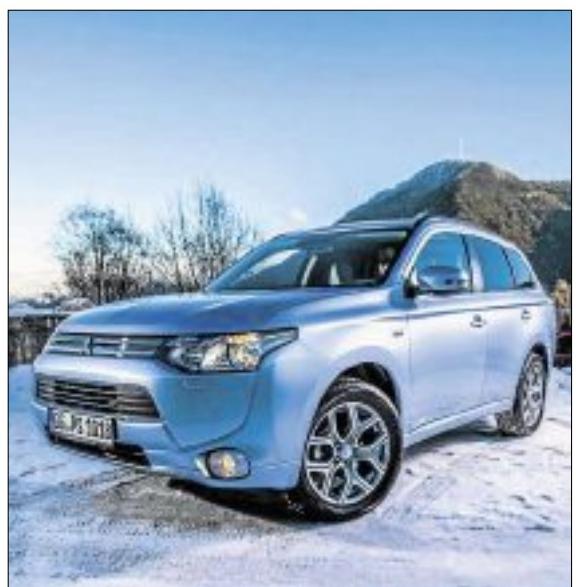
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MOTOWORKS: On the old Haywards site



GRANT BONUS: The Mitsubishi Outlander PHEV is eligible for a PiCG grant totalling £5,000

Green light for grant on Mitsubishi's Hybrid Outlander plug-in

MITSUBISHI has announced that The Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) has confirmed the all-new Outlander Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV) is eligible for the Government's Plug in Car Grant (PiCG) totalling £5,000.

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Your Guide to Moving Home

Moving home can be a complicated business and in the hectic run up to the big day it is all too easy to forget something vital.

The team offers their readers this handy checklist to help avoid any major pitfalls.

We suggest you tick them off as you go....

1 4-2 WEEKS TO GO:

Packing – start packing and sorting through your belongings. Now is a good time to de-clutter and pack items rarely used. Make sure you have plenty of sturdy boxes, bubble wrap and sticky tape.

Removal companies – get estimates from removal companies, checking that comprehensive insurance cover is available against damage or loss. Is there a packing and unpacking service? Confirm the date of your move with the firm you have chosen.

Insurance – check on your home contents insurance policies to ensure that you are covered for the move, and covered at your new address.

Utilities – make arrangements for your gas and electricity meters (plus water meters where relevant) to be read and all your appliances to be disconnected on the day of your move. Arrange to take over gas and electricity at your new address, and make sure that all appliances will be properly fitted, plumbed or connected.

Telecommunications – Notify your telephone and broadband provider and ask them to make the necessary arrangements for a final account at your present address, and for taking over or installing telephone and broadband facilities at your new home.

Post – Look into re-directing your post for a few months to make sure you receive all relevant correspondence.

Children – Look into the possibility of your children, especially young children, staying with family or friends on the day of the move.

Pets – Make arrangements for any pets to be booked into a cattery or kennels if required. Having your pets microchipped is a good idea and if already microchipped, have the address changed to your new one. Your vet can advise on this.

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Change of address – tell companies and organisations that you are moving!

Notify:

- Employer
- Inland revenue
- Local council
- Banks or Building Societies
- Credit companies, store cards & other accounts
- Gas, Electricity and water boards
- Insurance companies
- Land / mobile phones
- Internet and cable / satellite TV providers
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3 1 WEEK TO GO:

Delivery address – change delivery address of your Cambridge News, milk, groceries and fuel to your new address as appropriate.

Laundry – do any last minute laundry that you can – have you arranged for a plumber to disconnect your washing machine correctly?

Kitchen cupboards – go through your kitchen cupboards and throw out anything not in date. Also check that all jars and bottles are correctly sealed before packing.

Fridges / Freezers – empty and clean out in preparation for moving. If you are moving a freezer and its contents, turn it up to maximum for a couple of days before you move.

Valuables / documents – put these in safe place for moving day

4 2-1 DAYS TO GO:

Packing – pack a bag for overnight essentials and toiletries and finish all remaining packing into boxes. Remember to label which room each box is destined for.

Snack box – pack a box for the kitchen to include essentials like tea, coffee and sugar, as well as the kettle and mugs! Also include other snacks as necessary.

Dismantle and disconnect – take down curtains, fixtures and fittings and disconnect white goods ready for transport.

Outdoor items – make sure that these are stacked together and ready to be moved.

Mobile – place your mobile on charge the night before moving and ensure that all relevant people have your number.

5 ON MOVING DAY: AT YOUR OLD ADDRESS:

Strip beds and pack bedding and nightclothes.

Finish packing toiletries box.

Direct removal firm personnel or friends helping you move as to what needs to be done.

Turn off electric appliances.

Disconnect cooker.

Turn off boiler / central heating.

Turn off water.

Read gas meter.

Read electricity meter.

Secure all windows.

Lock all doors.

Make final checks and leave key as arranged with new owners.

AT YOUR NEW HOME:

Open up & have a look around the new house.

Locate fuse box, gas and electric meter and stop cock for reference.

Take readings on gas, electric and water meters as appropriate.

Organise the direction of boxes to appropriate rooms.

Check the van after all is unloaded.

Make the beds up for the evening.

Sit down and relax – unpack the other boxes the next day.

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Cowling unhappy with ref's display

AN injury to Harry O'Connor overshadowed Saffron Walden's 4-0 victory over Haverhill Rovers in the Thurlow Nunn League, First Division.

The Borough centre-half fell heavily on his neck after challenging for a header in the 77th minute and a 35-minute delay ensued as an ambulance was called and paramedics treated him on the pitch.

It was the second time in a week there had been a long delay at the New Croft after an ambulance was also required following an injury to Newmarket's Richard Chadwick when Haverhill Rovers were the hosts the previous Saturday.

Fortunately for O'Connor, he was released from hospital with a badly sprained neck following CAT scans.

And Borough manager Ben Cowling, who was less than impressed with the performance of the officials after seeing a first-half penalty claim turned down, a goal chalked off two minutes after the interval and Ryan Geoghegan sent off midway through the second period, felt playing the final 13 minutes was unnecessary.

"The referee should have abandoned it and we'd have quite happily taken 3-0," said Cowling.

"I don't know the FA rules on that, but we'd have been happy because

none of our lads wanted to go back on the pitch at that stage."

Walden's joint-boss Colin Wallington had been enjoying a joke or two with O'Connor before the game after having him on trial at the Bloods during the summer.

"Harry did the pre-season with me and I like him," said Wallington, "I was winding him up before the game because he's a lovely lad and I wish him all the best."

Walden took a 15th-minute lead when Craig Calver pounced on a poor defensive header to brilliantly lob goalkeeper Anthony Choat.

Jamie Solkhon tapped home from close range after Stuart Wardley had flicked on a free kick at the near post, before Geoghegan saw red for a tackle, which left Cowling and Wallington squaring up on the touchline.

"I thought the sending off was dreadful," said Wallington, whose side confirmed the win with goals from Jack Higgs and Louis Harper.

Cowling did not agree with his opposite number, although both men did agree Borough were the better team in the first half.

"I don't see how that's a red card," said Cowling. "It was one-footed, it was not malicious and he's not gone over the top, so it's a foul and a yellow card at the absolute worst."



Challenge: Stuart Wardley (left) tries to block Ross Elkins' header.
Picture: Gary Brown

Greygoose backs artificial pitches

DEAN Greygoose has called on more to be done to help non-League clubs install artificial pitches in the wake of the recent bad weather.

The Haverhill Rovers boss has been left frustrated by the number of postponements and the poor state of pitches after heavy rainfall.

Greygoose, who played on the original AstroTurf pitches in the 1980s while with Crewe Alexandra, believes artificial surfaces are the way forward.

"It is something that has to happen," he said. "The pitches at

the moment are the worst I have ever known them in non-League.

"I played on the first AstroTurf pitches and they were horrible, but the modern 3G and 4G surfaces are much better.

"The FA, the Football Foundation and the Premier League need to be doing more to help non-League clubs develop their facilities."

Clubs like Harlow and Maidstone United have already embraced 3G surfaces, while Greygoose revealed Rovers have also looked into the possibility of installing an artificial pitch.

The benefits would be fewer postponements because of bad weather and having a facility which would be available to the community when not in use by the club, both of which would lead to greater financial stability.

Rovers are seeking people's views to shape the future of the club by completing an online survey. It is at www.pitchero.com/clubs/haverhillroversfc/news/have-your-say-1140858.html and all will be entered in a draw to win tickets for England's friendly against Denmark at Wembley.

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Rovers 4 Chestnut Tree 4: Captains Cup – M Austin (140x2) It to M Grimwood (100, 120). Singles – V Tokley (100) bt J Drage (106), P Goodings (100x4) bt R Causton. Pair – P Goodings (100x2) & V Tokley bt P Causton (100) & J Drage (100). Triples – P Goodings, V Tokley & L Crysell bt J Drage, R Causton & M Grimwood. Singles – M Austin (100) It to P Causton (100), J Linane It to M Grimwood. Pair – M Austin & B Crysell (112) It to M Grimwood (100x2, 140) & R Causton (100).

Queens Head B 0 ESMC 8: Captains Cup – C Anstee It to S Young (100x2). Singles – B Edgar It to P Hugill (100, 125), R Jarred It to S Dickson (100). Pair – J Cawley & S Johnstone It to S Wells & J Lewis (100). Triples – S Johnstone, J Cawley (100, 119) & S Tobin It to D Fish, D MacPhail & R Skeggs-Terry. Singles – S Johnstone It to R Skeggs-Terry (100), S Tobin (100, 125, 126) It to Lewis (100, 140, 180). Pair – C Anstee (127) & B Edgar It to S Young (100) & P Hugill (100).

Suffolk Punch 2 Wrattling Red Lion 6: Captains Cup – R Frewer (100) bt L Blackburn. Singles – B Marlow It to M Goodwin (100x4), I Clarke (100x5) bt T Course (100x2, 101, 102, 140). Pair – I Clarke (100x2) & A Yates It to D Blackburn (100x2, 140) & T Whity (140). Triples – R Frewer (100x2), I Clarke (100, 140) & A Yates (100) It to T Course (100, 140), I Clarke (100, 140) & D Blackburn (140). Singles – R Frewer (100x2) It to T Whity (100x3), A Yates (100) It to D Blackburn (100x2, 125, 140, 170out). Pair: R Frewer (125) & K Gaylor It to T Course (100, 140) & M Goodwin.

> Golf

Fish to the fore with medal win

ANDY Fish was the overall winner of the Men's Midweek Medal at Haverhill Golf Club.

He scored nett 70 to take Division One by one shot from Mick Warren, with Dennis Harkness third with 72.

In Division Two, Neville Felton triumphed with nett 70, one clear of Steve Piotrowski and three better than Ivan Drury.

And Graham Hepworth was first in Division Three with nett 78. Patrick Bowes was second with 80 and Colin Smith third with 81.

Fish and Malcolm Klinge finished just out of the prizes with 37 points in the Suffolk Winter Alliance fourball betterball stableford at Bungay and Waveney.

Stowmarket's Trevor Holley and Sam Forgan were first with 42, two clear of Felixstowe Ferry's Adrian Quinn and John Foord. Ipswich's James Tyler and Ferry's Miles Cowburn were third with 39.

The professional prize was won by Neil Mitchell, of Bury Driving Range, with 73.

> Youth football

Wrattling exit the cup

EFFORTS from Jack Lisher and Nathan Johnson were not enough to prevent West Wrattling losing 3-2 to Witchford in the BM Kempton 9v9 League Cup, quarter finals.

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